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FESTIVALS OF THE CHURCH.

I.

IMMOVEABLE FESTIVALS.

CHIEF FESTIVALS.

Christmas, or the Nativity of our Lord,	December 25.
The Circumcision of Christ, and New Year's Day,	January 1.
The Epiphany, or the Manifestation of Christ to the Gentiles,	" 6.
The Festival of the Reformation,	October 31.

MINOR FESTIVALS,

OBSERVED IN SOME PARTS OF THE LUTHERAN CHURCH.

St. Andrew the Apostle's Day,	November 30.
St. Thomas the Apostle's "	December 21.
St. Stephen the Martyr's "	" 26.
St. John the Apostle's "	" 27.
The Conversion of St. Paul,	January 25.
The Presentation of Christ,	February 2.
St. Matthias the Apostle's Day,	" 21.
The Annunciation,	March 25.
St. Philip and St. James the Apostles' Day,	May 1.
The Birthday of St. John the Baptist,	June 24.
St. Peter and St. Paul the Apostles' Day,	" 29.
The Visitation,	July 2.
St. James the elder, the Apostle's Day,	" 25.
St. Bartholomew the Apostle's "	August 24.
St. Matthew the Apostle's "	September 21.
St. Michael the Archangel's "	" 29.
St. Simon and St. Jude the Apostles' Day,	October 28.

II.

MOVEABLE FESTIVALS.

RULES

TO FIND THE MOVEABLE FESTIVALS.

THE *Moveable Festivals* all depend upon *Easter* except *Adrent*.

Adrent Sunday is always the nearest *Sunday* to the thirtieth day of *November*, whether before or after.

Easter is always the first *Sunday* after the *Full Moon*, which happens upon, or next after the twenty-first day of *March*; and if the *Full Moon* happen upon a *Sunday*, *Easter* is the *Sunday* after.

The time of *Easter* being found, the other *Festivals* occur as follows:

Septuagesima Sunday is nine weeks before *Easter*.

Ash-Wednesday, or the beginning of *Lent*, is forty-six days before *Easter*.

Palm Sunday, or the beginning of *Passion Week*, is eight days before *Easter*.

Green-Thursday is the *Thursday* before *Easter*.

Good-Friday is the *Friday* before *Easter*.

Ascension-Day is forty days after *Easter*.

Whit-Sunday is seven weeks after *Easter*.

Trinity Sunday is eight weeks after *Easter*.

A TABLE OF THE DAYS ON WHICH EASTER WILL FALL FROM 1868—1899.

1868.	April 12.	1876.	April 16.	1884.	April 13.	1872.	April 17.	
1869.	March 28.	1877.	—	1885.	—	1873.	—	
1870.	April 17.	1878.	—	1886.	—	1874.	March 25.	
1871.	—	9.	1879.	—	1887.	—	1875.	April 14.
1872.	March 31.	1880.	March 28.	1888.	—	1876.	—	
1873.	April 13.	1881.	April 17.	1889.	—	1877.	—	
1874.	—	5.	1882.	—	1890.	—	1878.	18.
1875.	March 28	1883.	March 25.	1891.	March 29.	1879.	—	
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A TABLE OF THE MOVEABLE FESTIVALS,

According to the several days that Easter can possibly fall upon.

Easter.	Sundays after Epiphany.*	Septuagesima Sunday.	Ash-Wednesday.	Ascension-Day.	Whit-Sunday.	Sundays after Trinity.	First Advent Sunday.
March 22	1	Jan. 18	Feb. 4	April 30	May 10	27	Nov. 29
23	1	— 19	— 5	May 1	— 11	27	— 30
24	1	— 20	— 6	— 2	— 12	27	Dec. 1
25	2	— 21	— 7	— 3	— 13	27	— 2
26	2	— 22	— 8	— 4	— 14	27	— 3
27	2	— 23	— 9	— 5	— 15	26	Nov. 27
28	2	— 24	— 10	— 6	— 16	26	— 28
29	2	— 25	— 11	— 7	— 17	26	— 29
30	2	— 26	— 12	— 8	— 18	26	— 30
31	2	— 27	— 13	— 9	— 19	26	Dec. 1
April 1	3	— 28	— 14	— 10	— 20	26	— 2
2	3	— 29	— 15	— 11	— 21	26	— 3
3	3	— 30	— 16	— 12	— 22	25	Nov. 27
4	3	— 31	— 17	— 13	— 23	25	— 28
5	3	Feb. 1	— 18	— 14	— 24	25	— 29
6	3	— 2	— 19	— 15	— 25	25	— 30
7	3	— 3	— 20	— 16	— 26	25	Dec. 1
8	4	— 4	— 21	— 17	— 27	25	— 2
9	4	— 5	— 22	— 18	— 28	25	— 3
10	4	— 6	— 23	— 19	— 29	24	Nov. 27
11	4	— 7	— 24	— 20	— 30	24	— 28
12	4	— 8	— 25	— 21	— 31	24	— 29
13	4	— 9	— 26	— 22	June 1	24	— 30
14	4	— 10	— 27	— 23	— 2	24	Dec. 1
15	5	— 11	— 28	— 24	— 3	24	— 2
16	5	— 12	Mar. 1	— 25	— 4	24	— 3
17	5	— 13	— 2	— 26	— 5	23	Nov. 27
18	5	— 14	— 3	— 27	— 6	23	— 28
19	5	— 15	— 4	— 28	— 7	23	— 29
20	5	— 16	— 5	— 29	— 8	23	— 30
21	5	— 17	— 6	— 30	— 9	23	Dec. 1
22	6	— 18	— 7	— 31	— 10	23	— 2
23	6	— 19	— 8	June 1	— 11	23	— 3
24	6	— 20	— 9	— 2	— 12	22	Nov. 27
25	6	— 21	— 10	— 3	— 13	22	— 28

* In a Leap Year, the number of Sundays after Epiphany is the same as if Easter had fallen one day later than it really does; and Septuagesima Sunday and Ash-Wednesday fall one day later than that given in the Table, unless the Table gives some day in March for Ash-Wednesday; for in that case the day in the Table is right.

TABLE OF THE EPISTLES AND GOSPELS
For the Sundays and Festivals of the Church-Year.

SUNDAYS AND CHIEF FESTIVALS.	EPISTLES.	GOSPELS.
<i>Sundays in Advent.</i>		
1	Romans—— xiii, 11-14.	Matthew—— xxi, 1-9.
2	—— xv, 4-13.	Luke—— xxi, 25-36.
3	1 Corinthians—— iv, 1-5.	Matthew—— xi, 2-10.
4	Philippians—— iv, 4-7.	John—— i, 19-28.
<i>Christmas Day,</i>	Tit. ii, 11-14: Isa. ix, 2-7.	Luke—— ii, 1-14.
2	—— iii, 4-7.	—— ii, 15-20.
<i>Sunday after Christmas.</i>	Galatians—— iv, 1-7.	—— ii, 33-40.
<i>New Year's Eve.</i>	2 Timothy—— iv, 1-8.	—— xiii, 35-41.
<i>New Year's Day,</i>	Galatians—— iii, 23-29.	—— ii, 21.
<i>Sunday after New Year.</i>	1 Peter—— iv, 12-19.	Matthew—— ii, 13-23.
<i>Epiphany,</i>	Isaiah—— ix, 1-6.	—— ii, 1-12.
<i>Sundays after Epiphany.</i>		
1	Romans—— xii, 1-5.	Luke—— ii, 41-52.
2	—— xii, 6-16. ^a	John—— ii, 1-11.
3	—— xii, 16-21. ^b	Matthew—— viii, 1-13.
4	—— xiii, 8-10.	—— viii, 23-27.
5	Colossians—— iii, 12-17.	—— xiii, 24-30.
6	2 Peter—— i, 16-21.	—— xvii, 1-9.
<i>Septuagesima Sunday,</i>	1 Corinthians ix, 24-x, 5.	—— xx, 1-6.
<i>Sexagesima Sunday,</i>	2 ——— xi, 19-xii, 9.	Luke—— viii, 4-15.
<i>Quinquagesima Sunday,</i>	1 ——— xiii, 1-13.	—— xviii, 31-43.
<i>Sundays in Lent.</i>		
1 <i>Inrocavit.</i>	2 ——— vi, 10.	Matthew—— iv, 1-11.
2 <i>Reminiscere.</i>	1 Thessalonians — iv, 1-7.	—— xv, 21-28.
3 <i>Oculi,</i>	Ephesians—— v, 1-9.	Luke—— xi, 14-28.
4 <i>Laetare,</i>	Galatians—— iv, 21-31.	John—— vi, 1-15.
5 <i>Judica,</i>	Hebrews—— ix, 11-15.	—— viii, 46-50.
6 <i>Palmarum.</i>	Philippians—— ii, 5-11.	Matthew—— xxi, 1-9.
<i>Thursday before Easter,</i>	1 Corinthians—— xi, 23-32.	John—— xiii, 1-15.
<i>Good Friday,</i>	Isaiah—— llii, 13-llii, 12.	The Passion History.
<i>Easter Sunday,</i>	1 Corinthians—— v, 6-8.	Mark—— xvi, 1-8.
<i>Monday,</i>	Acts—— x, 34-41.	Luke—— xxiv, 13-35.
<i>Sundays after Easter.</i>		
1 <i>Quasimodogeniti.</i>	1 John—— v, 4-12.	John—— xx, 19-31.
2 <i>Misericordias.</i>	1 Peter—— ii, 21-25	—— x, 11-14.
3 <i>Jubilate.</i>	—— ii, 11-20.	—— xvi, 16-23. ^c
4 <i>Cantate,</i>	James—— i, 16-21.	—— xvi, 5-15.
5 <i>Rogate.</i>	—— i, 22-27.	—— xvi, 23-30. ^d
<i>Ascension Day,</i>	Acts—— i, 1-11.	Mark—— xvi, 14-20.
<i>Sunday after Ascension,</i>	1 Peter—— iv, 7-11. ^e	John—— xv, 26-xvi, 4.
<i>Whit-Sunday,</i>	Acts—— ii, 1-13.	—— xiv, 23-31.
<i>Whit-Monday.</i>	—— x, 42-48. ^f	—— iii, 16-21.
<i>Trinity Sunday,</i>	Romans—— xi, 83-86.	—— iii, 1-15.
<i>Sundays after Trinity.</i>		
1	1 John—— iv, 16-21 ^g	Luke—— xvi, 19-21.
2	—— iii, 16-1 ^h	—— xiv, 16-24.

^a End. "men of low estate."

^b Begin: "Be not wise in your own conceits."

^c End: "ye shall ask me nothing."

^d Begin: "Verily, verily, I say."

^e " " "Be ye therefore sober."

^f End: "in the name of the Lord."

^g Begin: "God is love "

TABLE OF THE EPISTLES AND GOSPELS—Continued

SUNDAYS AND CHIEF FESTIVALS.	EPISTLES.	GOSPELS.
3 Sunday after Trinity,—	1 Peter v, 6-11.	Luke xv, 1-10.
4	Romans viii, 18-23.	vi, 36-42.
5	1 Peter iii, 8-15. ^h	v, 1-11.
6	Romans vi, 3-11.	Matthew v, 20-26.
7	vi, 19-23.	Mark viii, 1-9.
8	viii, 12-17.	Matthew vii, 15-23.
9	1 Corinthians x, 6-13.	Luke xvi, 1-9.
10	xii, 1-11.	xix, 41-48.
11	xv, 1-10.	xviii, 9-14.
12	2 iii, 4-11.	Mark vii, 31-37.
13	Galatians iii, 15-22.	Luke x, 23-37.
14	v, 16-24.	xvii, 11-19.
15	v, 25—vi, 10.	Matthew vi, 24-34.
16	Ephesians iii, 13-21.	Luke vii, 11-17.
17	iv, 1-6.	xiv, 1-11.
18	1 Corinthians i, 4-9.	Matthew xxii, 34-46.
19	Ephesians iv, 22-28.	ix, 1-8.
20	v, 15-21.	xxii, 1-14.
21	vi, 10-17.	John iv, 46-54. ⁱ
22	Philippians i, 8-11.	Matthew xviii, 23-35.
23	iii, 17-21.	xxii, 15-22.
24	Colossians i, 9-14.	ix, 18-26.
25	1 Thessalonians iv, 13-18.	xxiv, 15-23.
26	2 Peter iii, 8-14. or 2 Thessalonians i, 8-10.	xxv, 31-46.
27	1 Thessalonians, v, 1-11.	xxv, 1-13.

^h End: “sanctify the Lord God in your hearts.”

ⁱ Begin: “And there was a certain nobleman,”

APOSTLES' DAYS AND OTHER MINOR FESTIVALS. Observed in some parts of the Lutheran Church.

MINOR FESTIVAL DAYS.	EPISTLES.	GOSPELS.
St. Andrew the Apostle,—	Romans x, 10-18.	Matthew iv, 18-22.
St. Thomas the Apostle,—	Ephesians i, 3-6.	John xx, 24-31.
St. Stephen the Martyr,—	Acts vi, 8—vii, 60.	Matthew xxiii, 34-39.
St. John the Apostle.—	1 John i, 1-10.	John xxi, 19-24.
The Conversion of St. Paul,—	Acts ix, 1-22.	Matthew xix, 27-30.
The Presentation of Christ,—	Malachi iii, 1-4.	Luke ii, 22-32.
St. Matthias the Apostle,—	Acts i, 15-26.	Matthew xi, 25-30.
The Annunciation,—	Isaiah vii, 10-16.	Luke i, 26-38.
St. Philip & St. James, Apostles.	Ephesians ii, 19-22.	John xiv, 1-14.
St. John the Baptist,—	Isaiah xl, 1-5.	Luke i, 57-80.
St. Peter and St. Paul, Apostles,	Acts xii, 1-11.	Matthew xvi, 13-20.
The Visitation,—	Isaiah xi, 1-5.	Luke i, 39-56.
St. James the elder, Apostle,—	Romans viii, 28-39.	Matthew xx, 20-23.
St. Bartholomew the Apostle,—	2 Corinthians iv, 7-10.	Luke xxii, 24-30.
St. Matthew the Apostle,—	Ephesians iv, 7-14.	Matthew ix, 9-13.
St. Michael the Archangel,—	Revelations xii, 7-12.	xviii, 1-11.
St. Simon and St. Jude, Apostles.	1 Peter i, 3-9.	John xv, 17-21.

TABLE OF SCRIPTURE LESSONS FOR THE SUNDAYS AND
FESTIVALS OF THE CHURCH-YEAR.

SUNDAYS AND FESTIVALS.	FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT.		FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT.	
	From Gospels.	From Epistles.	Historical Books.	Poetical Books.
<i>Sundays in Advent.</i>				
1	Luke i, 1-25.	Col. i, 16-23.	Gen. iii, 1-15.	Ex. xl.
2	____ i, 26-35.	Rom. i, 16-25.	Jer. xxxi, 31-36.	Prov. viii, 22-31.
3	____ i, 39-56.	____ ii, 1-12.	Isa. iv, 3-13.	Isa. xl, 1-9.
4	____ i, 67-80.	Heb. xii, 15-25.	Ps. c.	Ps. xxiv.
<i>Christmas Day,</i>	John i, 1-14.	____ i, 1-12.	Isa. ix, 2-7.	Micah v, 2-4.
2	____ i, 15-18.	1 John iv, 7-16.	____ xi, 1-5.	Ps. cxlviii.
<i>S. aft. Christmas,</i>	Luke ii, 22-32.	Heb. iii, 1-6.	____ xii, 1-6.	____ iii.
<i>New Year's Eve,</i>	Mat. xvi, 1-12.	1 Peter i, 22-25.	Ps. xc.	Isa. xl, 26-31.
<i>New Year's Day.</i>	Luke iv, 16-21.	____ ii, 1-10.	____ cxli.	1 Sam. ii, 1-10.
<i>S. aft. New Year,</i>	Mat. iii, 1-12.	Rom. vii, 7-25.	Gen. xi, 1-9.	Isa. ii, 1-5.
<i>Epiphany,</i>	____ iii, 13-17.	____ iii, 23-31.	— xii, 1-4—xiii, 5-11	
<i>Sundays after Epiphany.</i>				
1	John i, 35-51.	Fpbes. ii, 11-22.	____ xiv, 8-20.	Deu. xviii, 15-19.
2	____ iii, 22-36.	Rom. iv, 16-25.	____ xv, 1-17.	Isa. lxi, 1-6.
3	Mat. iv, 12-17.	____ v, 1-5.	____ xviii, 20-33.	Amos iii, 1-8.
4	John iv, 4-24.	____ viii, 1-11.	____ xxii, 1-9.	Micah vi, 1-8.
5	____ iv, 25-42.	1 Cor. ii, 1-10.	____ xxiv, 34-51.	____ vii, 14-20.
6	Mat. xi, 25-30.	James iii, 13-18.	____ xxviii, 10-22.	Haggai ii, 1-9.
<i>Septuagesima,</i>	____ xvi, 13-20.	2 Cor. viii, 1-9.	____ xli, 28-43.	Mal. ii, 4-10.
<i>Seragesima,</i>	____ xvii, 1-9.	Rom. xiv, 13-19.	____ xl(x, 1-33.	Amos viii, 1-14.
<i>Quinagesima,</i>	John viii, 12-20.	____ x, 8-18.	____ 1, 15-22.	Hab. ii, 1-14.
<i>Sundays in Lent.</i>				
1 <i>Invocavit,</i>	viii, 23-40.	Heb. xii, 1-6.	Exod. i, 3-22.	Isa. 1, 4-10.
2 <i>Reminiscere,</i>	ix, 1-22.	Rom. viii, 28-39.	____ ii, 1-10.	Ps. li.
3 <i>Oculi</i>	x, 23-38.	2 Cor. iv, 7-14.	____ ii, 11-15.	____ xxii.
4 <i>Laetare,</i>	xi, 1-27.	____ v, 14-21.	____ iii, 1-14.	Isa. lxiv, 1-12.
5 <i>Judica,</i>	xi, 28-57.	1 Peter i, 13-21.	____ v, 1-21.	Job xxxiii, 13-30.
6 <i>Palmarum,</i>	xii, 1-19.	Heb. x, 19-27.	____ v, 22—vi, 9.	Zech. ix, 8-12.
<i>Thurs. b. Easter,</i>	Luke xxii, 7-23.	1 Cor. x, 16-22.	Ps. xxiii.	Ps. xxv.
<i>Good Friday,</i>	Mat. xxvii, 33-54.	Rev. v, 1-14.	Exod. xii, 1-14.	Isa. liii, 13—livi,
				12.
<i>Easter Sunday,</i>	Mat. xxviii, 1-10.	1 Cor. xv, 12-28.	Job xix, 22-27.	____ xxv, 1-8.
<i>Monday,</i>	John xx, 11-18.	____ xv, 35-49.	Ps. cxviii, 14-20.	Eze. xxxviii, 1-14
<i>Sundays after Easter.</i>				
1 <i>Quasimod.,</i>	Luke xxiv, 36-47.	____ xv, 50-58.	Exod. xv, 1-21.	Isa. iv, 2-6.
2 <i>Misericord.,</i>	John xxi, 1-19.	1 John i, 1-7.	____ xv, 22-26.	Eze. xxxiv, 11-16
3 <i>Jubilate,</i>	____ xvii, 1-8.	____ ii, 12-17.	____ xvi, 1-15.	Hosea ii, 18-23.
4 <i>Cantate,</i>	____ xvii, 9-19.	____ iii, 1-11.	____ xvii, 1-16.	Isa. xlix, 8-15.
5 <i>Rogate,</i>	____ xvii, 20-26.	____ v, 12-21.	Ps. cxvi.	Ps. lxxxvi.
<i>Ascension,</i>	Luke xxiv, 44-53.	Eph. iv, 7-16.	Gen. v, 21-24.	____ cx.
<i>S. aft. Ascension,</i>	John xiv, 1-14.	Acts i, 12-26.	Exod. xix, 3-8.	Isa. xxxii, 14-20.
<i>Whit-Sunday,</i>	____ xiv, 15-21.	____ ii, 14-21.	Joel ii, 21—iii, 1.	Joel ii, 2-32.
<i>Whit-Monday,</i>	____ xv, 1-8.	Rom. x, 11-17.	Ps. cxvii.	Eze. xxxvi, 25-28
<i>Trinity Sunday,</i>	Mat. xxviii, 18-20	Eph. i, 3-14.	Num. vi, 22-27.	Isa. vi, 1-8.
<i>Sundays after Trinity.</i>				
1	____ v, 1-12.	Acts ii, 42-47.	Exod. xxxiv, 1-10.	Ps. lxii.
2	____ v, 13-19.	____ iii, 1-10.	Num. xxi, 4-9.	Job xxxvi, 20—
				xxxvii, 13.
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4	____ v, 43-48.	____ iv, 1-22.	Josh. xxiv, 14-24.	Ps. ciii.
5	____ vi, 1-15.	____ iv, 23-31.	Jud. ii, 1-12.	Iam. iii, 22-40.
6	____ vi, 16-23.	____ iv, 32—v, 11.	Ruth i, 1-17.	Ps. xcii.
7	____ vii, 1-14.	____ v, 12-42.	1 Sam. iii, 1-18.	Feeles. iii, 1-17.
8	____ vii, 24-29.	____ vi, 1-7.	____ x, 17-27.	Ps. cxix, 105-112.
9	John v, 19-29.	____ vii, 51-60.	____ xv, 16-23.	____ lxxii.
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17	Luke xv, 11-32.	— xviii, 1-11.	— xiii, 3-18.	Lev. xix, 9-18.
18	Mark x, 1-12.	— xix, 1-11.	1 Kiugsxviii, 21-40	Deut. xxi, 18-21.
19	Mat. xv, 1-11.	— xx, 17-38.	— xix, 4-18.	— xxiv, 17-22.
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22	Johu xv, 18-25.	— xxviii, 1-31.	2 Chr. xxxii, 1-21.	— xxiv, 13-22.
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ORDER OF DIVINE SERVICE

FOR

SUNDAYS AND FESTIVALS.

“There is one Body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling; one Lord, one Faith, one Baptism, one God and Father of all.”—EPHES. iv, 4-6.

“Let all things be done decently and in order.”—1 COR. xiv., 40.

THE ORDER OF MORNING SERVICE.

¶ *The Minister, standing before the Altar, shall begin the Morning Service, as here followeth, the Congregation all standing.*

IN the Name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Ghost.

¶ *The Congregation shall sing or say:*

Amen.

¶ *Then shall the Minister say the Confession of Sins, as here followeth:*

The Confession of Sins.

BELoved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart, and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him, in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.

¶ *Then, all kneeling or standing, shall be sung or said:*

Minister. Our help is in the Name of the Lord.

Congregation. Who made heaven and earth.

Minister. I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

Congregation. And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.

¶ *Then shall the Minister say :*

ALMIGHTY God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto Thee, that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against Thee by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Thine infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Thy grace, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

¶ *Then shall he say ; or if there be an Assistant, he may say :*

O most merciful God, who hast given Thine Only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us, and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins : and by Thy Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of Thee, and of Thy will, and true obedience to Thy word, to the end that by Thy grace we may come to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

¶ *Then shall the Congregation sing or say :*

Amen.

¶ *Then the Minister, standing, shall pronounce*

The Absolution.

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, hath had mercy upon us, and for the sake of His dear Son, forgiveth us all our sins. To them that believe on His Name, He also giveth power to become the sons of God, and

bestoweth upon them His Holy Spirit. He that believeth, and is baptized, shall be saved. Grant us, O Lord, this salvation.

¶ *Then shall the Congregation sing or say :*
Amen.

¶ *Then, all standing to the close of the Collect, shall be sung or said :*

The Introit.

¶ *One of the Introits appointed for the Season of the Church-Year, or a general Introit, shall be used. The Introit, with the Gloria Patri, may be sung by the Congregation; or the Introit may be said by the Minister, and the Gloria Patri sung or said by the Congregation; or the Introit and Gloria Patri may be said or sung responsively by the Minister and Congregation.*

¶ *The Introit, except in the week before Easter, shall always end with the*

Gloria Patri.

GLORY be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

¶ *Then shall follow the*
Kyrie.

¶ *The Kyrie may be said by the Minister, and sung or said after him by the Congregation, as here followeth; or it may be sung or said but once by the Minister and Congregation together.*

Minister. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Congregation. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Minister. Christ, have mercy upon us.

Congregation. Christ, have mercy upon us.

Minister. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Congregation. Lord, have mercy upon us.

¶ Then shall be sung the Gloria in Excelsis, as here followeth; or instead of it may be sung the Te Deum Laudamus, or another Hymn of Praise.

¶ When the Te Deum is sung, the Minister shall say, We praise Thee, O God; when a Hymn is sung he shall announce it.

Gloria in Excelsis.

¶ The Minister shall say:

Glory be to God on high!

¶ The Congregation shall sing:

GLORY be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee for Thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the Only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord; Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

¶ Then shall the Minister say:

The Lord be with you.

¶ *The Congregation shall sing or say :*

And with thy spirit.

¶ *The Minister shall say :*

Let us pray.

¶ *Then shall the Minister say one of the Collects appointed for the Season of the Church-Year, or one of the general or special Collects. A Versicle may precede the Collect if there be no Communion.*

The Collect.

¶ *The Collect ended, the Congregation shall sing or say :*

Amen.

¶ *When there is but one Service on the Lord's Day, other Scripture Lessons from the Old or New Testament may be read before the Epistle, but the Epistle and Gospel for the Day shall always be read.*

¶ *Then shall the Minister read the Epistle for the Day, saying :*

The Epistle for (*here he shall name the Day*) is written in the — Chapter of —, beginning at the — Verse.

The Epistle for the Day.

¶ *The Epistle ended, the Minister shall say : Here endeth the Epistle.*

¶ *Then shall the Hallelujah be sung or said, except in the week before Easter.*

The Hallelujah.

Hallelujah !

¶ *Instead of the simple Hallelujah, a Sentence for the Season of the Church-Year may be sung with it; or a Psalm or Hymn may be sung after the Hallelujah.*

*The Hallelujah and Sentence.**For the Advent Season.*

Hallelujah! Remember, O Lord, Thy tender mercies: for they have been ever of old. Hallelujah!

For the Epiphany Season.

Hallelujah! O praise the Lord, all ye nations: and laud Him, all ye people. For His merciful kindness is great toward us: and the truth of the Lord endureth for ever. Hallelujah!

For the Passion Season.

Christ hath humbled Himself, and become obedient unto death: even the death of the Cross.

For the Easter Season.

Hallelujah! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. Hallelujah!

For the Season of Pentecost.

Hallelujah! Thou sendest forth Thy Spirit, they are created: and Thou renewest the face of the earth. Hallelujah!

For the Sundays after Trinity.

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy: and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

Or this:

Hallelujah! Blessed be the Lord God of our fathers: praise Him, and highly exalt Him for ever. Hallelujah!

¶ Then shall the Minister announce the Gospel for the Day, saying :

The Holy Gospel is written in the — Chapter of St. —, beginning at the — Verse.

¶ The Congregation may sing or say :

Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

¶ Then shall the Minister read

The Gospel for the Day.

¶ The Gospel ended, the Minister shall say : Here endeth the Gospel, and the Congregation shall stand up, unless they have stood at the reading of the Gospel, and shall sing or say :

Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

¶ Then shall the Creed be said or sung by the Minister and the Congregation. Either the Apostles' or the Nicene Creed may be used, but if there be a Communion, the Nicene Creed shall be used.

The Apostles' Creed.

I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord ; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary ; Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried ; He descended into hell ; The third day He rose again from the dead ; He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty ; From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost ; The holy

Christian Church, the Communion of Saints; The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body; And the Life everlasting. Amen.

The Nicene Creed.

I BELIEVE in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only-begotten Son of God, Begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of very God, Begotten, not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By whom all things were made; Who, for us men, and for our salvation, came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man; And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; And the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures; And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father; And He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glori-

fied, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy Christian and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; And I look for the Resurrection of the dead; And the Life of the world to come. Amen.

¶ *Then shall the Minister announce the Hymn to be sung, and go into the pulpit. After the Hymn shall follow*

The Sermon.

¶ *When the Sermon is ended, the Congregation all standing up, and continuing to stand to the end of the Lord's Prayer, the Minister shall say :*

THE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus unto everlasting life.

¶ *Then shall the Congregation sing :*

CREATE in me a clean heart, O God : and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from Thy presence : and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.

Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation : and uphold me with Thy free Spirit.

¶ *Instead of this the second and third verses of Hymn 356 may be sung.*

¶ *Whilst this is sung, the Minister shall go to the Altar, and the singing ended, he shall offer prayer. He may use the Prayer here following, or, if there be no Communion, the Litany, or the Suffrages, or a selection from the general and special Collects, or any other suitable prayer.*

The General Prayer.

ALMIGHTY and most merciful God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: We give Thee thanks for all Thy goodness and tender mercies, especially for the gift of Thy dear Son, and for the revelation of Thy will and grace; and we beseech Thee so to implant Thy Word in us, that, in good and honest hearts, we may keep it, and bring forth fruit by patient continuance in well doing.

Most heartily we beseech Thee so to rule and govern Thy Church universal, with all its pastors and ministers, that it may be preserved in the pure doctrine of Thy saving word, whereby faith toward Thee may be strengthened, and charity increased in us toward all mankind.

Grant also health and prosperity to all that are in authority, especially to the President [and Congress] of the United States, the Governor [and Legislature] of this Commonwealth, and to all our Judges and Magistrates; and endue them with grace to rule after Thy good pleasure, to the maintenance of righteousness, and to the hinderance and punishment of wickedness, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life, in all godliness and honesty.

May it please Thee also to turn the hearts of our enemies and adversaries, that they may

cease their enmity, and be inclined to walk with us in meekness and in peace.

All who are in trouble, want, sickness, anguish of labor, peril of death, or any other adversity, especially those who are in suffering for Thy Name and for Thy truth's sake, comfort, O God, with Thy Holy Spirit, that they may receive and acknowledge their afflictions as the manifestation of Thy fatherly will.

And although we have deserved Thy righteous wrath and manifold punishments, yet, we entreat Thee, O most merciful Father, remember not the sins of our youth, nor our many transgressions; but out of Thine unspeakable goodness, grace and mercy, defend us from all harm and danger of body and soul. Preserve us from false and pernicious doctrine, from war and bloodshed, from plague and pestilence, from all calamity by fire and water, from hail and tempest, from failure of harvest and from famine, from anguish of heart and despair of Thy mercy, and from an evil death. And in every time of trouble, show Thyself a very present Help, the Saviour of all men, and especially of them that believe.

Cause also the needful fruits of the earth to prosper, that we may enjoy them in due season.

Give success to the christian training of the young, to all lawful occupations on land and sea, and to all pure arts and useful knowledge ; and crown them with Thy blessing.

¶ *Here special Supplications, Intercessions, and Prayers may be made.*

These, and whatsoever other things Thou wouldest have us ask of Thee, O God, vouchsafe unto us for the sake of the bitter sufferings and death of Jesus Christ, Thine only Son, our Lord and Saviour, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

¶ *Then shall the Minister, and the Congregation with him, say the Lord's Prayer ; but if there be a Communion it may be omitted here.*

The Lord's Prayer.

OUR Father, who art in heaven ; Hallowed be Thy Name ; Thy kingdom come ; Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven ; Give us this day our daily bread ; And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us ; And lead us not into temptation ; But deliver us from evil ; For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

¶ *Then may the Minister make any needful announcements, and the Offerings of the Congregation be gathered; and after that shall follow a Hymn which shall end with a Doxology when there is no Communion. Whilst the Doxology is sung the Congregation shall stand.*

¶ *When the Doxology is ended, the Minister, standing before the Altar, shall pronounce the Benediction, after which the Congregation, still standing, should offer silent prayer.*

The Benediction.

The Lord bless thee, and keep thee.
 The Lord make His face shine upon thee,
 and be gracious unto thee.
 The Lord lift up His countenance upon
 thee, and give thee peace.

¶ *The Congregation shall sing or say :*

Amen.

The Holy Communion.

¶ *Whilst the Hymn after the General Prayer is sung, the Minister shall uncover the Communion vessels, and devoutly prepare for the administration of the Holy Communion.*

¶ *The Minister, standing before the Altar, shall begin the Communion Service, as here followeth, the Congregation all standing to the end of the Agnus Dei.*

The Lord be with you.

¶ *The Congregation shall sing or say :*

And with thy spirit.

Minister. Lift up your hearts.

Congregation. We lift them up unto the Lord.

Minister. Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

Congregation. It is meet and right so to do.

Minister. It is truly meet, right, and salutary, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto Thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty Everlasting God.

¶ *Here shall follow the Proper Preface, according to the time, if there be any specially appointed, or else immediately shall follow, Therefore with angels, etc.*

Proper Prefaces.

On Christmas-Day.

FOR in the mystery of the Word made flesh, Thou hast given us a new revelation of Thy glory; that seeing Thee in the person of Thy Son, we may be drawn to the love of those things which are not seen. Therefore with Angels, etc.

In the Passion Season.

THROUGH Jesus Christ, Thy dear Son, our Lord and Saviour; Who for the redemption of our sinful race was lifted up upon the Cross; to the end that where death began, there also life

might be restored ; that he who overcame at the tree of the garden should also be overcome on the tree of the Cross. Therefore with Angels, etc.

On Easter-Day.

BUT chiefly are we bound to praise Thee for the glorious Resurrection of Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord : for He is the very Paschal Lamb, which was offered for us, and hath taken away the sin of the world ; who by His death hath destroyed death, and by His rising to life again, hath restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Angels, etc.

On Whit-Sunday.

THROUGH Jesus Christ, Thy dear Son, our Lord and Saviour ; Who ascending above the heavens, and sitting at Thy right hand, poured out on this day the Holy Spirit, as He had promised, upon the chosen disciples ; whereat the whole earth rejoices with exceeding joy. Therefore with Angels, etc.

On Trinity Sunday.

WHO with Thine Only-begotten Son, and the Holy Ghost, art one God, one Lord ; not one only Person, but three Persons in one Substance. For that which we believe, according to Thy revelation, of the glory of the Father, the same we believe of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, without any difference or inequality. And in the confession of the only true God, we worship the Trinity in Person, and the Unity in Substance, of Majesty co-equal. Therefore with Angels, etc.

¶ After the Preface shall follow immediately :

THHEREFORE with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify Thy glorious name; evermore praising Thee, and saying :

¶ Then shall be sung or said the
Sanctus.

HOLY, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth ; Heaven and earth are full of Thy glory ; Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

¶ Then may the Minister give this Exhortation to those that be minded to receive the Lord's Supper :

The Exhortation.

DEARLY Beloved ! Forasmuch as we purpose to come to the Holy Supper of our Lord Jesus Christ, in which He giveth His Body to eat and His Blood to drink, in order to strengthen and confirm our faith, it becometh us diligently to examine ourselves, as St. Paul exhorteth us. For this Holy Sacrament hath been instituted for the special comfort and strengthening of those who humbly confess their sins, and who hunger and thirst after righteousness.

Our own conscience accuseth us that we

are by nature sinners, and have grievously offended the Lord our God; but our Lord Jesus Christ hath had mercy upon us, and by His death and passion hath wrought perfect redemption for us. And to the end that we should the more confidently believe this, and be strengthened by our faith in a cheerful obedience to His holy will, He hath given us His Body to eat and His Blood to drink.

Therefore whoso eateth of this bread, and drinketh of this cup, firmly believing the words of Christ, dwelleth in Christ, and Christ in him, and hath eternal life.

We should also do this in remembrance of Him, showing His death, that He was delivered for our offences, and raised again for our justification, and rendering unto Him most hearty thanks for the same, take up our cross and follow Him, and according to His commandment, love one another even as He hath loved us. For we are all one bread and one body, even as we are all partakers of this one bread, and drink of this one cup.

¶ *Then the Minister, turning to the Altar, and extending his hands over the Bread and Wine, shall say :*

Let us pray.

OUR Father, who art in heaven; hallowed be Thy Name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven; give

us this day our daily bread ; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us ; and lead us not into temptation ; but deliver us from evil ; for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever.

¶ *Then shall the Congregation sing or say :*

Amen.

¶ *Then shall the Minister say :*

OUR Lord Jesus Christ, in the night in which He was betrayed, took bread ; (a) and when he had given thanks, He brake and gave it to His disciples, saying, Take, eat ; this is my Body, which is given for you ; this do in remembrance of Me.

(a) *Here he shall take the Plate with the Bread in his hand.*

After the same manner, also, He took the cup, (b) when he had supped, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of it ; this cup is the New Testament in My Blood, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins ; this do, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of Me.

(b) *Here he shall take the Cup in his hand.*

¶ *Then shall be sung or said the Agnus Dei.*

O CHRIST, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us!

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us!

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

¶ *Then shall the Distribution begin, the Commuricants kneeling or standing at the Altar. During the Distribution communion Hymns may be sung.*

¶ *When the Minister giveth the Bread, he shall say :*

TAKE, eat, this is the Body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given for you; may it strengthen and preserve you in the true faith unto everlasting life.

¶ *When he giveith the Cup, he shall say :*

TAKE and drink, this is the Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was shed for you and for many for the remission of sins; may it strengthen and preserve you in the true faith unto everlasting life.

¶ *When all have communed, or when a portion of the Communicants have received the communion together, to be followed by others, the Minister shall dismiss them with the words :*

The peace of the Lord be with you alway.

¶ If the consecrated Bread or Wine be spent before all have communed, the Minister shall consecrate more, saying aloud, so much of the Words of Institution as pertaineth to the element to be consecrated. During the consecration the singing shall cease.

¶ When all have communed, the Minister shall reverently cover what remaineth of the Bread and Wine.

¶ Then, all standing, may be sung or said the
Nunc Dimitis.

LORD, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace: according to Thy word: For mine eyes have seen Thy salvation: which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people;

A light to lighten the Gentiles: and the glory of Thy people Israel.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

¶ Then shall be said:
The Thanksgiving.

Minister.

O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.

¶ The Congregation shall sing or say:
And His mercy endureth for ever.

Minister.

ALMIGHTY God, our Heavenly Father, we most heartily thank Thee that Thou hast again vouchsafed to feed us with the

most precious Body and Blood of Thy dear Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ; and we humbly beseech Thee, graciously to strengthen us, through this Holy Sacrament, in faith toward Thee, in charity toward one another, and in the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Thy dear Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, world without end.

¶ *The Congregation shall sing or say:*

Amen.

¶ *Then may be sung a Doxology, after which the Minister shall say:*

Blessed be the name of the Lord.

¶ *The Congregation shall sing or say:*

From now, henceforth, and for ever.

Minister.

The Lord bless thee, and keep thee.

The Lord make His face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon thee, and give thee peace.

¶ *The Congregation shall sing or say:*

Amen.

SECOND ORDER OF MORNING SERVICE.

¶ The Service shall begin with one of the Introits appointed for the Season of the Church-Year, or a general Introit. The Minister, standing before the Altar, may say the Introit and the Congregation sing or say the Gloria Patri; or the Introit, with the Gloria Patri, may be said or sung responsively by the Minister and Congregation, or be sung by both together.

¶ The Congregation shall stand from the beginning of the Service to the end of the Collect, before the reading of the Epistle; except that during the Confession and Absolution they may kneel.

The Introit.

¶ The Introit, except in the week before Easter, shall always end with the

Gloria Patri.

GLORY be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

¶ Then shall the Minister say the Confession of Sins, as here followeth:

The Confession of Sins.

DEARLY Beloved! If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Let us therefore confess our sins unto God our heavenly Father, and humbly beseech Him, in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.

ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father; we poor miserable sinners acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness, which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against Thy Divine Majesty. We have provoked Thy wrath and indignation against us, and deserve at Thy hands present and everlasting punishment. But we do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; and we beseech Thee, of Thy great goodness, to be merciful unto us. Pardon and deliver us from all our sins, for the sake of the holy, innocent, and bitter sufferings and death of Thy dear Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

¶ *Then shall the Congregation sing or say the Kyrie.*

LORD, have mercy upon us!
Christ, have mercy upon us!
Lord, have mercy upon us!

Or this :

O GOD the Father in heaven; have mercy upon us!
O God the Son, Redeemer of the world; have mercy upon us!
O God the Holy Ghost; have mercy upon us, and grant us Thy peace!

¶ *Then the Minister, standing, shall pronounce
The Absolution.*

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, hath had mercy upon us, and for the sake of His dear Son, forgiveth us all our sins. To them that believe on His Name, He also giveth power to become the sons of God, and bestoweth upon them His Holy Spirit. He that believeth, and is baptized, shall be saved. Grant us, O Lord, this salvation.

¶ *Then shall the Congregation sing or say:
Amen.*

¶ *Then shall be sung the Gloria in Excelsis, as here followeth; or instead of it may be sung the Te Deum Laudamus, or another Hymn of Praise.*

¶ *When the Te Deum is sung, the Minister shall say, We praise Thee, O God; when a Hymn is sung he shall announce it.*

Gloria in Excelsis.

¶ *The Minister shall say:*

Glory be to God on high!

¶ *The Congregation shall sing:*

GLORY be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee for Thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the Only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of

the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For Thou only art holy ; Thou only art the Lord ; Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

¶ *Then shall the Minister say :*

The Lord be with you.

¶ *The Congregation shall sing or say :*

And with thy spirit.

¶ *The Minister shall say :*

Let us pray.

¶ *Then shall the Minister say one of the Collects appointed for the Season of the Church-Year, or one of the general or special Collects. A Versicle may precede the Collect if there be no Communion.*

The Collect.

¶ *The Collect ended, the Congregation shall sing or say :*

Amen.

¶ *When there is but one Service on the Lord's Day, other Scripture Lessons from the Old or New Testament may be read before the Epistle, but the Epistle and Gospel for the Day shall always be read.*

¶ *Then shall the Minister read the Epistle for the Day, saying :*

The Epistle for (*here 'e shall name the Day*)

is written in the — Chapter of —, beginning at the — Verse.

The Epistle for the Day.

¶ *The Epistle ended, the Minister shall say:* Here endeth the Epistle.

¶ *Then shall the Hallelujah be sung or said, except in the week before Easter.*

The Hallelujah.

Hallelujah !

¶ *Instead of the simple Hallelujah, a Sentence for the Season of the Church-Year may be sung with it; or a Psalm or Hymn may be sung after the Hallelujah.*

The Hallelujah and Sentence.

For the Advent Season.

Hallelujah ! Remember, O Lord, Thy tender mercies: for they have been ever of old. Hallelujah !

For the Epiphany Season.

Hallelujah ! O praise the Lord, all ye nations: and laud Him, all ye people. For His merciful kindness is great toward us: and the truth of the Lord endureth for ever. Hallelujah !

For the Passion Season.

Christ hath humbled Himself, and become obedient unto death: even the death of the Cross.

For the Easter Season.

Hallelujah ! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. Hallelujah !

For the Season of Pentecost.

Hallelujah ! Thou sendest forth Thy Spirit, they are created : and Thou renewest the face of the earth. Hallelujah !

For the Sundays after Trinity.

Hallelujah ! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy : and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding : that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah !

Or this :

Hallelujah ! Blessed be the Lord God of our fathers : praise Him, and highly exalt Him for ever. Hallelujah !

¶ *Then shall the Minister announce the Gospel for the Day, saying :*

The Holy Gospel is written in the — Chapter of St. —, beginning at the — Verse.

¶ *The Congregation may sing or say :*

Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

¶ *Then shall the Minister read*

The Gospel for the Day.

¶ *The Gospel ended, the Minister shall say : Here endeth the Gospel, and the Congregation shall stand up, unless they have stood at the reading of the Gospel, and shall sing or say :*

Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

¶ *Then shall the Apostles' Creed be said or sung by the Minister and the Congregation.*

The Apostles' Creed.

I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of Heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy Christian Church, the Communion of Saints; The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body; And the Life everlasting. Amen.

¶ *Then shall the Minister announce the Hymn to be sung, and go into the pulpit. After the Hymn shall follow*

The Sermon.

¶ *When the Sermon is ended, the Congregation all standing up, and continuing to stand to the end of the Lord's Prayer, the Minister shall say:*

THE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus unto everlasting life.

¶ *Then shall the Congregation sing :*

CREATE in me a clean heart, O God : and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from Thy presence : and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.

Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation : and uphold me with Thy free Spirit.

¶ *Instead of this the second and third verses of Hymn 356 may be sung.*

¶ *Whilst this is sung, the Minister shall go to the Altar, and the singing ended, he shall offer prayer. He may use the Prayer in the First Order, or, if there be no Communion, the Litany, or the Suffrages, or a selection from the general and special Collects, or any other suitable prayer.*

The General Prayer.

¶ *Then shall the Minister, and the Congregation with him, say the Lord's Prayer; but if there be a Communion it may be omitted here.*

The Lord's Prayer.

OUR Father, who art in heaven ; Hallowed be Thy Name ; Thy kingdom come ; Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven ; Give us this day our daily bread ; And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us ; And lead us not into temptation ; But deliver us from evil ; for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

¶ Then may the Minister make any needful announcements, and the Offerings of the Congregation be gathered; and after that shall follow a Hymn which shall end with a Doxology when there is no Communion. Whilst the Doxology is sung the Congregation shall stand.

¶ When the Doxology is ended, the Minister, standing before the Altar, shall pronounce the Benediction, after which the Congregation, still standing, should offer silent prayer.

The Benediction.

The Lord bless thee, and keep thee.

The Lord make His face shine upon thee,
and be gracious unto thee.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon
thee, and give thee peace.

¶ The Congregation shall sing or say :

Amen.

THE ORDER OF EVENING SERVICE.

¶ *The Service shall begin with one of the following Invitatories. The Minister, standing before the Altar, may say the Invitatory, and the Congregation sing or say the Gloria Patri; or the Invitatory, with the Gloria Patri, may be said or sung responsively by the Minister and Congregation, or be sung by both together.*

¶ *The Congregation shall stand from the beginning of the Service to the end of the Collect before the reading of the Scriptures; except that during the Confession and Absolution they may kneel.*

*The Invitatory.*1. *Deus Misereatur.* Ps. lxvii.

GOD be merciful unto us, and bless us: and cause His face to shine upon us.

That Thy way may be known upon earth: Thy saving health among all nations.

Let the people praise Thee, O God: let all the people praise Thee.

Then shall the earth yield her increase: and God, even our own God, shall bless us.

God shall bless us: and all the ends of the earth shall fear Him.

2. *Jubilate Deo.* Ps. c.

MAKE a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands: Serve the Lord with gladness, come before His presence with singing.

Know ye that the Lord He is God; it is He that hath made us, and not we ourselves: we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.

Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praise: be thankful unto Him, and bless His Name.

For the Lord is good ; His mercy is everlasting : and His truth endureth to all generations.

3. *Venite Exultemus Domino.* Ps. xciv.

O COME, let us sing unto the Lord : let us make a joyful noise to the Rock of our salvation.

Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving : and make a joyful noise unto Him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God : and a great King above all gods.

In His hand are the deep places of the earth : the strength of the hills is His also.

The sea is His, and He made it : and His hands formed the dry land.

O come, let us worship and bow down : let us kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For He is our God : and we are the people of His pasture, and the sheep of His hand.

4. *Lactatus Sum.* Ps. cxxii.

I WAS glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the Lord : our feet shall stand within thy gates, O Jerusalem.

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem : they shall prosper that love thee.

Peace be within thy walls : and prosperity within thy palaces.

5. *Lababo Inter Innocentes.* Ps. xxvi.

I WILL wash mine hands in innocency : so will I compass Thine Altar, O Lord.

That I may publish with the voice of thanksgiving : and tell of all Thy wondrous works.

Lord, I have loved the habitation of Thy house:
and the place where Thine honor dwelleth.

¶ *Any suitable Psalm from the Selections which precede the Hymns may be used as an Invitatory.*

¶ *The Invitatory, except in the week before Easter, shall always end with the*

Gloria Patri.

GLORY be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost: as it was in the
beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world
without end. Amen.

¶ *Then may the Minister say the Confession of Sins, as here followeth:*

The Confession of Sins.

DEARLY Beloved! If we say that we
have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and
the truth is not in us. But if we confess our
sins, God is faithful and just to forgive us our
sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteous-
ness. Let us therefore confess our sins unto
God our heavenly Father, and humbly beseech
Him, in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ,
to grant us forgiveness.

ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father;
we poor miserable sinners acknowledge
and confess our manifold sins and wickedness,
which we, from time to time, most grievously
have committed, by thought, word, and deed,

against Thy Divine Majesty. We have provoked Thy wrath and indignation against us, and deserve at Thy hands present and everlasting punishment. But we do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; and we beseech Thee, of Thy great goodness, to be merciful unto us. Pardon and deliver us from all our sins, for the sake of the holy, innocent, and bitter sufferings and death of Thy dear Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

¶ *Then shall the Congregation sing or say the Kyrie.*

LORD, have mercy upon us!
Christ, have mercy upon us!
Lord, have mercy upon us!

Or this:

O GOD the Father in heaven; have mercy upon us!
O God the Son, Redeemer of the world; have mercy upon us!
O God the Holy Ghost; have mercy upon us, and grant us Thy peace!

¶ *Then the Minister, standing, shall pronounce The Absolution.*

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, hath had mercy upon us, and for the sake of His dear Son, forgiveth us all our sins.

To them that believe on His Name, He also giveth power to become the sons of God, and bestoweth upon them His Holy Spirit. He that believeth, and is baptized, shall be saved. Grant us, O Lord, this salvation.

¶ *Then shall the Congregation sing or say:*

Amen.

Minister. O Lord, open Thou my lips.

Congregation. And my mouth shall show forth Thy praise.

¶ *Then shall be sung the Magnificat, as here followeth; or some other Canticle, Psalm, or Hymn of Praise; and at the end of the Canticle or Psalm may be sung the Gloria Patri. The Minister shall say the first words, except when a Hymn is sung, and then he shall announce the Hymn.*

The Magnificat.

¶ *The Minister shall say:*

My soul doth magnify the Lord.

¶ *The Congregation shall sing:*

MY soul doth magnify the Lord: and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

For He hath regarded: the low estate of His handmaiden.

For behold, from henceforth: all generations shall call me blessed.

For He that is mighty hath done to me great things: and holy is His Name.

And His mercy is on them that fear Him :
from generation to generation.

He hath showed strength with His arm :
He hath scattered the proud in the imagina-
tion of their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty from their
seats : and exalted them of low degree.

He hath filled the hungry with good things :
and the rich He hath sent empty away.

He hath holpen His servant Israel, in re-
membrance of His mercy : as He spake to our
fathers, to Abraham, and to his seed, for ever.

¶ *Then shall the Minister say :*

The Lord be with you.

¶ *The Congregation shall sing or say :*

And with thy spirit.

¶ *The Minister shall say :*

Let us pray.

¶ *Then shall the Minister say one or more of the festival, general, or
special Collects. A Versicle may precede the Collect.*

The Collect.

¶ *The Collect ended, the Congregation shall sing or say :*

Amen.

¶ *Then shall one or more Lessons from the Holy Scriptures be read.
If more than one Lesson be read, one of the Sentences after the
Epistle in the Morning Service, or a Psalm, may be sung after the
first Lesson.*

Scripture Lessons.

¶ *The Lessons ended, the Minister shall say: Here endeth the Scripture (or the second) Lesson, and the Congregation shall sing or say:*

Thanks be to Thee, O God.

¶ *Then may the Apostles' Creed be said or sung by the Minister and Congregation. When the Creed is used, the Congregation shall stand up at the end of the Scripture Lesson.*

The Apostles' Creed.

I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of Heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy Christian Church, the Communion of Saints; The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body; And the Life everlasting. Amen.

¶ *Then shall the Minister announce the Hymn to be sung, and go into the pulpit. After the Hymn shall follow*

The Sermon.

¶ When the Sermon is ended, the Congregation all standing up, and continuing to stand to the end of the Lord's Prayer, the Minister shall say :

THE grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost be with you all.

¶ Then shall the Congregation sing :

I WILL praise the Lord with my whole heart: in the assembly of the upright, and in the congregation.

He hath made His wonderful works to be remembered : the Lord is gracious and full of compassion.

He sent redemption unto His people : holy and reverend is His Name.

¶ Instead of this the second and third verses of Hymn 356 may be sung.

¶ Whilst this is sung, the Minister shall go to the Altar, and the singing ended, he shall offer prayer ; he may use the Litany, or the Suffrages, or a selection from the Collects, or any suitable prayer.

The Prayer.

¶ Then shall the Minister, and the Congregation with him, say the Lord's Prayer.

The Lord's Prayer.

OUR Father, who art in heaven ; Hallowed be Thy Name ; Thy kingdom come ; Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven ; Give

us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

¶ *Then may the Minister make any needful announcements, and the Offerings of the Congregation be gathered; and after that shall follow a Hymn which shall end with a Doxology. Whilst the Doxology is sung the Congregation shall stand.*

¶ *When the Doxology is ended, the Minister, standing before the Altar, shall pronounce the Benediction, after which the Congregation, still standing, should offer silent prayer.*

The Benediction.

The Lord bless thee, and keep thee.

The Lord make His face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon thee, and give thee peace.

¶ *The Congregation shall sing or say:*

Amen.

INTROITS.

INTROITS FOR THE CHURCH-YEAR, AND GENERAL INTROITS.

THE ADVENT SEASON.

1.

SAY ye to the daughter of Zion: Behold thy salvation cometh.

The Lord shall cause His glorious voice to be heard: and ye shall have gladness of heart.

Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel: Thou that leadest Joseph like a flock.

2.

DROP down, ye heavens, from above, and let the skies pour down righteousness: let the earth open, and let them bring forth salvation.

The heavens declare the glory of God: and the firmament sheweth His handy work.

3.

HOSANNA to the Son of David: blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord.

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion: shout, O daughter of Jerusalem;

Behold, thy King cometh unto thee: He is just, and having salvation.

CHRISTMAS.

4.

UNTO us a Child is born: unto us a Son is given.

And the government shall be upon His shoulder:

and He shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

O sing unto the Lord a new song: for He hath done marvellous things.

NEW-YEAR.

5.

O LORD our Lord, how excellent is Thy Name in all the earth: Who hast set Thy glory above the heavens.

What is man, that Thou art mindful of him: and the son of man, that Thou visitest him?

Thou, O Lord, art our Father and our Redeemer: from everlasting is Thy Name.

Hear my prayer, O Lord, and give ear unto my cry: for I am a stranger with Thee, and a sojourner, as all my fathers were.

THE EPIPHANY SEASON.

6.

MAKE a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands: serve the Lord with gladness, come before His presence with singing.

For the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us: and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the Only-begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

I will praise Thee, O Lord, with my whole heart: I will show forth all Thy marvellous works.

7.

THE Lord reigneth, let the earth rejoice: let the multitude of isles be glad thereof.

The glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all

flesh shall see it: for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it.

Zion heard, and was glad: and the daughters of Judah rejoiced.

8.

THREE shall come a Star out of Jacob: and a sceptre shall rise out of Israel.

Give the King Thy judgments, O God: and Thy righteousness unto the King's Son.

He shall judge Thy people with righteousness: and Thy poor with judgment.

The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall bring presents: the kings of Sheba and Seba shall offer gifts.

Yea, all kings shall fall down before Him: all nations shall serve Him.

THE PASSION SEASON.

9.

CHRIST JESUS became obedient unto death: even the death of the Cross.

Wherefore also God hath highly exalted Him: and given Him a Name which is above every name.

That at the Name of Jesus every knee should bow: of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth.

And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord: to the glory of God the Father.

10.

REMEMBER, O Lord, Thy tender mercies and Thy loving kindnesses: for they have been ever of old.

Remember not the sins of my youth, nor my trans-

gressions: according to Thy mercy, remember Thou me, O Lord.

Unto Thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul: O my God, I trust in Thee, let me not be ashamed.

GOOD FRIDAY.

1.

BEHOLD, and see if there be any sorrow: like unto my sorrow, which is done unto me?

The assembly of the wicked have inclosed me: they pierced my hands and my feet.

They part my garments among them: and cast lots upon my vesture.

Be not Thou far from me, O Lord: O my strength, haste Thee to help me.

(The Gloria Patri is omitted on this day.)

12.

BEHOLD the Lamb of God: which taketh away the sin of the world!

Surely He hath borne our griefs: and carried our sorrows.

He was wounded for our transgressions: He was bruised for our iniquities.

All we like sheep have gone astray: and the Lord hath laid on Him the iniquity of us all.

(The Gloria Patri is omitted on this day.)

THE EASTER SEASON.

13.

Easter-Day.

THE Lord is risen, and hath appeared unto Simon; Hallelujah: the Lord is risen indeed. Hallelujah!

Why seek ye the living among the dead? Hallelujah: He is not here, He is risen. Hallelujah!

Thou hast crowned Him with glory and honor;
Hallelujah: Thou madest Him to have dominion
over the works of Thy hand. Hallelujah!

14.

I AM the resurrection and the life: all power is
given unto me in heaven and in earth. Hallelujah!

Lo, I am with you alway: even unto the end of
the world. Hallelujah!

For to this end Christ both died and rose again:
that He might be Lord both of the dead and living.

15.

DECLARE ye with the voice of singing; Halle-
lujah: tell this, utter it even to the end of the
earth. Hallelujah!

The Lord hath redeemed His servant Jacob:
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

Make a joyful noise unto God, all ye lands: sing
forth the honor of His holy Name.

ASCENSION.

16.

YE men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into
heaven: Hallelujah!

He shall so come in like manner as ye have seen
Him go into heaven: Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hal-
lelujah!

O clap your hands, all ye people: shout unto God
with the voice of triumph.

17.

LIFT up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift
up, ye everlasting doors: and the King of glory
shall come in.

Who is this King of glory: the Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle.

Lift up your heads, O ye gates; even lift them up, ye everlasting doors: and the King of glory shall come in.

Who is this King of glory: the Lord of hosts, He is the King of glory.

THE SEASON OF PENTECOST.

18.

THE whole earth is full of the Spirit of the Lord: Hallelujah!

I will pour water upon him that is thirsty: and floods upon the dry ground.

I will pour my Spirit upon thy seed: and my blessing upon thine offspring.

God is the Lord, which hath shewed us light: bind the sacrifice with cords, even unto the horns of the altar.

19.

HIS foundation is in the holy mountains: the Lord loveth the gates of Zion more than all the dwellings of Jacob.

Glorious things are spoken of thee: O city of God.

Of Zion it shall be said, This and that man was born in her: and the Highest Himself shall establish her.

20.

THE Lord is in His holy temple: let all the earth keep silence before Him.

Thy testimonies are very sure: holiness becometh Thy house, O Lord, for ever.

It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord: and to sing praises unto Thy Name, O Most High.

21.

I SHALL be sanctified in you, saith the Lord God :
I will gather you out of all countries.

Then will I sprinkle clean water upon you : and ye shall be clean.

A new heart also will I give you : and a new spirit will I put within you.

I will bless the Lord at all times : His praise shall continually be in my mouth.

TRINITY SUNDAY.

22.

HOLY, holy, holy, is the Lord God of Hosts : the whole earth is full of His glory.

There are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost : and these Three are One.

Of Him, and through Him, and to Him are all things : to whom be glory for ever. Amen.

THE FESTIVAL OF HARVEST.

23.

PRAISE waiteth for Thee, O God, in Zion : and unto Thee shall the vow be performed.

Thou visitest the earth, and waterest it : Thou waterest the ridges thereof abundantly.

Thou makest it soft with showers : Thou blessest the springing thereof.

Thou crownest the year with Thy goodness : and Thy paths drop fatness.

24.

GREAT is the Lord, and greatly to be praised : and His greatness is unsearchable.

The eyes of all wait upon Thee : and Thou givest them their meat in due season.

Thou openest Thine hand: and satisfiest the desire of every living thing.

My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord: and let all flesh bless His holy Name for ever.

THE FESTIVAL OF THE REFORMATION.

25.

THE Lord our God be with us: as He was with our fathers.

Do good in Thy good pleasure unto Zion: build Thou the walls of Jerusalem.

Thy testimonies are very sure: holiness becometh Thy house, O Lord, for ever.

DAY OF THANKSGIVING.

26.

PRAISE God in His sanctuary: praise Him in the firmament of His power.

Praise Him for His mighty acts: praise Him according to His excellent greatness.

Praise Him with the sound of the trumpet: praise Him with the psaltery and harp.

Let every thing that hath breath praise the Lord: praise ye the Lord.

DAY OF HUMILIATION.

(*Introits 27, 28 may be used on this Day.*)

SUNDAYS AFTER TRINITY. I—IX.

27.

IF Thou, Lord, shouldst mark iniquities: O Lord, who shall stand.

But there is forgiveness with Thee: that Thou mayest be feared.

Out of the depths have I cried unto Thee, O Lord: Lord, hear my voice.

Let Thine ears be attentive: to the voice of my supplications.

28.

BLESSED is he whose transgression is forgiven: whose sin is covered.

Blessed is the man unto whom the Lord imputeth not iniquity: and in whose spirit there is no guile.

When my soul fainted within me, I remembered the Lord: and my prayer came in unto Thee, into Thy holy temple.

Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters: come ye, and eat, and your soul shall live.

SUNDAYS AFTER TRINITY. X—XXII.

29.

O LORD, be Thou my strong Rock: for an house of defence to save me.

For Thou art my Rock and my Fortress: therefore for Thy Name's sake lead me, and guide me.

In Thee, O Lord, do I put my trust: let me never be ashamed, deliver me in Thy righteousness.

30.

BOW down Thine ear, O Lord, and hear me: O Thou my God, save Thy servant that trusteth in Thee.

Be merciful unto me, O Lord: for I cry unto Thee daily.

Rejoice the soul of Thy servant: for unto Thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul.

31.

I WILL love Thee, O Lord, my strength: the Lord is my Rock, and my Fortress, my God, my strength, in whom I will trust.

Unto Thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul: O my God, I trust in Thee.

Whom have I in heaven but Thee?: and there is none upon earth that I desire beside Thee.

My flesh and my heart faileth: but God is the strength of my heart, and my portion for ever.

32.

GIVE ear, O my people, to my law: incline your ears to the words of my mouth.

The law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul: blessed are the undefiled in the way, who walk in the law of the Lord.

Save Thy people, O Lord, and bless Thine inheritance: feed them also, and lift them up for ever.

33.

THE Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?: the Lord is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

Behold God is my helper: the Lord is with them that uphold my soul.

Say to them that are of a fearful heart, be strong, fear not: behold, your God will come and save you.

34.

HOW long wilt Thou forget me, O Lord: how long wilt Thou hide Thy face from me?

I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the Lord: thoughts of peace and not of evil.

Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in Him: and He shall bring it to pass.

O Lord, I have trusted in Thy mercy: my heart shall rejoice in Thy salvation.

SUNDAYS AFTER TRINITY. XXIII—XXVII.

35.

HOLD thy peace at the presence of the Lord God; for the day of the Lord is at hand: it is near and hasteth greatly.

The world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever.

Zion shall be a crown of glory in the hand of the Lord: and a royal diadem in the hand of her God.

GENERAL INTROITS.

36.

I WILL bless the Lord at all times: His praise shall continually be in my mouth.

My soul shall make her boast in the Lord: the humble shall hear thereof, and be glad.

O magnify the Lord with me: and let us exalt His Name together.

I sought the Lord, and He heard me: and delivered me from all my fears.

The angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear Him: and delivereth them.

O taste and see that the Lord is good: blessed is the man that trusteth in Him.

37.

HOW long, Lord? wilt Thou be angry for ever: shall Thy jealousy burn like fire?

O remember not against us former iniquities: let Thy tender mercies speedily prevent us; for we are brought very low.

Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of Thy Name: and deliver us, and purge away our sins, for Thy Name's sake.

So we Thy people, and sheep of Thy pasture, will give Thee thanks for ever: we will shew forth Thy praise to all generations.

38.

I CRIED with my whole heart: hear me, O Lord, I will keep Thy statutes.

Yea, even unto Thee do I cry: save me, and I shall keep Thy testimonies.

Hear my voice, according unto Thy loving-kindness: O Lord, quicken me according to Thy judgment.

39.

BEHOLD, O God, our shield, and look upon the face of Thine Anointed: for a day in Thy courts is better than a thousand.

How amiable are Thy tabernacles, O Lord of hosts: my soul longeth, yea, even fainteth for the courts of the Lord.

40.

THE Lord is the strength of His people: and He is the saving strength of His anointed.

Save Thy people, and bless Thine inheritance: feed them also, and lift them up for ever.

Unto Thee will I cry, O Lord my Rock, be not silent to me: hear the voice of my supplications, when I lift up my hands toward Thy holy Altar.

41.

BOW down Thine ear, O Lord, and hear me: O Thou my God, save Thy servant that trusteth in Thee.

Be merciful unto me, O Lord, for I cry unto Thee daily: rejoice the soul of Thy servant; for unto Thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul.

VERSICLES AND COLLECTS

FOR THE SEASONS OF THE CHURCH-YEAR, AND GENERAL AND SPECIAL COLLECTS.

FESTIVAL COLLECTS.

THE ADVENT SEASON.

Minister. Prepare ye the way of the Lord. Hallelujah!
Congregation. Make His paths straight. Hallelujah!

M. Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors. Hall.

C. And the King of glory shall come in. Hall.

M. Show me Thy ways, O Lord. Hall.

C. Teach me Thy paths. Hall.

1.

STIR up, we beseech Thee, O Lord, our hearts, to make ready the way of Thine Only-begotten Son; so that by His Advent we may be enabled to serve Him with pure minds, Who with Thee liveth and reigneth, in the Unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

2.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who by Thy grace dost permit us to begin a new Church-Year; we beseech Thee to pour out Thy Holy Spirit upon Thy Church, that Thy Word may increase and abound among us, that it may be preached with all boldness; that so Thy holy Church may be preserved and edified, and that we, serving Thee with steadfast faith, may persevere in the confession of Thy Name unto the end, through Jesus Christ Thy dear Son our Lord. *Amen.*

3.

O GOD, Who makest us glad with the yearly remembrance of our redemption; Grant that as we joyfully receive Thine Only-begotten Son as our Redeemer, so we may also without fear behold Him when he cometh as our Judge; Who with Thee liveth and reigneth, in the Unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

4.

MERCIFUL God, Who hast given us Thine Only-begotten Son to take our nature upon Him, and to be born of a pure virgin; Grant unto Thy people grace to put away impure desires, that so they may be made ready for Thy visitation; through the same Jesus Christ Thy dear Son our Lord, Who with Thee liveth and reigneth, in the Unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

CHRISTMAS.

M. The Word was made flesh. Hall.

C. And dwelt among us. Hall.

M. Unto you is born this day a Saviour. Hall.

C. Which is Christ the Lord. Hall.

5.

Christmas Eve.

O GOD, Who hast made this most sacred night to shine with the illumination of the True Light, Grant, we beseech Thee, that as we have known the mystery of that Light upon earth, we may also perfectly enjoy it in heaven; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

6.

Christmas Day.

O LORD God, heavenly Father, we give Thee thanks, that of Thy great goodness and mercy,

Thou didst suffer Thine Only-begotten Son to become incarnate, and to redeem us from sin and everlasting death; and we beseech Thee, enlighten our hearts, by Thy Holy Spirit, that we may evermore yield Thee unfeigned thanks for this Thy grace, and may comfort ourselves with the same in all time of tribulation and temptation; through the same Thy dear Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*

CIRCUMCISION OF CHRIST AND NEW-YEAR.

M. His Name shall be called Jesus. Hall.

C. For He shall save His people from their sins. Hall.

M. O give thanks unto the Lord; for He is good. Hall.

C. For His mercy endureth for ever. Hall.

7.

O LORD God, heavenly Father, we give Thee thanks that of Thy fatherly mercy Thou didst show Thy pity upon us sinners, and didst make Thy dear Son our Saviour Jesus Christ obedient to the law for man, that by His perfect obedience He might take away Thy righteous wrath and heal our disobedience; and we most heartily beseech Thee, so to enlighten our hearts by Thy Holy Spirit that when our consciences accuse us of sin we may comfort ourselves by His obedience, and by the help of the Holy Spirit may become obedient children, and finally attain everlasting salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

8.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, from whom cometh down every good and perfect gift, we give Thee thanks for all the benefits, both temporal and spiritual, which Thou hast bestowed upon us in

the year which is past; and we beseech Thee, of Thy goodness to grant us anew a favorable and joyful year, to defend us from all dangers and adversities, and to send upon us the fulness of Thy blessing; through Jesus Christ Thy dear Son our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPIPHANY SEASON.

M. The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light. Hall.

C. And upon them that dwell in the land of the shadow of death hath the light shined. Hall.

M. O praise the Lord, all ye nations. Hall.

C. Praise Him, all ye people. Hall.

9.

O GOD, Who by the leading of a star didst manifest Thine Only-begotten Son to the Gentiles; Mercifully grant that we, who know Thee now by faith, may after this life have the fruition of Thy glorious Godhead; through the same Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

10.

O LORD God, heavenly Father, Who by the appearance of a star didst manifest Thine Only-begotten Son Jesus Christ to the wise men, and by the blessed light of Thy divine Word hast in these last times led us also to the knowledge of Thy Son; we most heartily beseech Thee so to replenish us with the grace of Thy Holy Spirit that we may ever walk in the light of Thy truth, and rejoicing with sure confidence in Christ our Saviour, may in the end be brought unto everlasting salvation; through the same Thy Son our Lord. *Amen.*

THE PASSION SEASON.

M. Thou hast made Me to serve with thy sins.
C. Thou hast wearied Me with thine iniquities.

M. The chastisement of our peace was upon Him.
C. And with His stripes we are healed.

M. God spared not His own Son.
C. But delivered Him up for us all.

11.

ALMIGHTY God, we beseech Thee graciously to behold this Thy family, for which our Lord Jesus Christ was contented to be betrayed, and given up into the hands of wicked men, and to suffer the shameful death of the Cross; who with Thee liveth and reigneth, in the Unity of the Holy Ghost, world without end. *Amen.*

12.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, that we who for our evil deeds are continually afflicted, may mercifully be relieved by the Passion of Thine Only-begotten Son; who with Thee liveth and reigneth, in the Unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

13.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who hast willed that Thy Son should bear for us the pains of the Cross, that Thou mightest remove from us the power of the adversary; Help us so to remember and give thanks for our Lord's Passion that we may obtain remission of sin and redemption from everlasting death; through the same our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

14.

Thursday before Easter.

O GOD, Who has left unto us in a wonderful Sacrament a memorial of Thy Passion ; Grant, we beseech Thee, that we may so use the most holy Sacrament of Thy Body and Blood, that we may evermore perceive in ourselves the fruit of Thy redemption ; Who livest and reignest with the Father, in the Unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen*

15.

Good-Friday.

MERCIFUL and everlasting God, Who hast not spared Thine only Son, but delivered Him up for us all, that He might bear our sins upon the Cross ; Grant that our hearts may be so fixed with steadfast faith in Him that we may not fear the power of any adversaries ; through the same Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EASTER SEASON.

M. Christ, being raised from the dead, dieth no more. Hall.
C. Death hath no more dominion over Him. Hall.

M. Christ hath abolished death. Hall.
C. And hath brought life and immortality to light. Hall.

M. Christ was delivered for our offences. Hall.
C. And was raised again for our justification. Hall.

M. Death is swallowed up in victory. Hall.
C. Thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory. Hall

16.

ALMIGHTY God, Who by the death of Thy Son hast abolished sin and death, and by His resurrection hast restored innocence and immortal life, that we, being delivered from the power of the devil, may live for ever in Thy kingdom ; Grant, we beseech Thee, that with our whole hearts we may believe this comfortable truth, and continuing steadfast in our faith, evermore thank and praise Thee ; through the same Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

17.

ALMIGHTY God, Who through Thine Only-begotten Son Jesus Christ hast overcome death, and opened unto us the gate of everlasting life ; we humbly beseech Thee, that, as by Thy special grace preventing us, Thou dost put into our minds good desires, so by Thy continual help we may bring the same to good effect ; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

18.

OLORD God, heavenly Father, Who hast given Thine only Son to die for our sins, and to rise again for our justification ; Quicken us, we beseech Thee, by Thy Holy Spirit unto newness of life, that through the power of His resurrection, we may dwell with Christ for ever ; who with Thee liveth and reigneth in the Unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

19.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, that we who celebrate Thy Paschal Feast, kindled with heavenly desires may ever thirst for the Fountain of Life, Jesus Christ Thy Son our Lord. *Amen.*

20.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, that we who celebrate the solemnities of the Lord's Resurrection, may by the renewal of Thy Holy Spirit rise again from the death of the soul; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

21.

GOD, Who by the humiliation of Thy Son didst raise up the fallen world; Grant unto Thy faithful ones perpetual gladness, and those whom Thou hast delivered from the danger of everlasting death, do Thou make partakers of eternal joys; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ASCENSION.

M. Christ hath ascended on high. Hall.

C. He hath led captivity captive. Hall.

M. Seek those things which are above. Hall.

C. Where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. Hall.

22.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, that like as we do believe Thine Only-begotten Son our Lord Jesus Christ to have ascended into the heavens, so we may also in heart and mind thither ascend, and with Him continually dwell; Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

23.

OKING of glory, Lord of Hosts, Who didst this Day ascend in triumph far above all heavens; We beseech Thee leave us not comfortless, but send to us the Spirit of truth, promised of the Father; O Thou, Who with the Father livest and reignest in the Unity of the same Spirit, one God, world without end *Amen.*

THE SEASON OF PENTECOST.

M. Lord, teach me to do Thy will. Hall.

C. Let Thy good Spirit lead me in the right way. Hall.

M. Thou sendest forth Thy Spirit, they are created. Hall.

C. And Thou renewest the face of the earth. Hall.

M. We have received the Spirit of adoption. Hall.

C. Whereby we cry, Abba, Father. Hall.

24.

O GOD, Who didst teach the hearts of Thy faithful people, by sending to them the light of Thy Holy Spirit; Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgment in all things, and evermore to rejoice in His holy comfort; through our Lord Jesus Christ Thy Son, Who with Thee liveth and reigneth, in the Unity of the same Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

25.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, that the brightness of Thy glory may shine forth upon us, and that the light of Thy light by the illumination of the Holy Spirit may establish the hearts of all that have been born anew by Thy grace; through our Lord Jesus Christ Thy Son, Who with Thee liveth and reigneth, in the Unity of the same Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

26.

O GOD, Who didst give Thy Holy Spirit to Thine Apostles; Grant unto Thy people the performance of their petitions, so that on us to whom Thou hast given faith, Thou mayest also bestow peace; through our Lord Jesus Christ Thy Son, Who with Thee liveth and reigneth, in the Unity of the same Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

27.

SEND, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, Thy Holy Spirit into our hearts, that He may rule and direct us according to Thy will, comfort us in all our temptations and afflictions, defend us from all error, and lead us into all truth; that we, being steadfast in the faith, may increase in love and in all good works, and in the end obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ Thy Son our Lord. *Amen.*

28.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, let the power of Thy Holy Spirit be present with us, that it may both mercifully cleanse our hearts, and defend us against all adversities; that Thy people be in nowise overcome by any assaults of their enemies, but as Thy Son hath graciously promised, be led into all truth; through the same our Lord Jesus Christ, Who with Thee liveth and reigneth, in the Unity of the same Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

TRINITY SUNDAY.

M. Bless we the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Ghost Hall.

C. Let us praise, and highly exalt Him for ever. Hall.

29.

A LMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who hast given unto us Thy servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of the Divine Majesty to worship the Unity; We beseech Thee, that Thou

wouldest keep us steadfast in this faith, and evermore defend us from all adversities, Who livest and reignest, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

THE FESTIVAL OF HARVEST.

M. The eyes of all wait upon Thee, O Lord. Hall.

C. And Thou givest them their meat in due season. Hall.

30.

ALMIGHTY God, most merciful Father, Who openest Thy hand, and satisfiest the desire of every living thing, we give Thee most humble and hearty thanks that Thou hast crowned the fields with Thy blessing, and hast permitted us once more to gather in the fruits of the earth; And we beseech Thee to bless and protect the living seed of Thy Word sown in our hearts, that in the plenteous fruits of righteousness, we may always present to Thee an acceptable thankoffering; through Jesus Christ Thy Son our Lord. *Amen.*

THE FESTIVAL OF THE REFORMATION.

M. Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet. Hall.

C. And a light unto my path. Hall.

31.

ALMIGHTY God, by whose providence Thy servants, our fathers, were sent to prepare the way of Thy Son our Saviour, by preaching repentance toward God and faith in our Lord Jesus Christ; Make us so to follow their doctrine and holy life, that we may truly repent and believe according to their preaching; and after their example constantly speak the truth, boldly rebuke vice, and patiently

suffer for the truth's sake ; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Who with Thee liveth and reigneth, in the Unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

A DAY OF HUMILIATION.

Any of the Litany Collects may be used on this Day.

A DAY OF THANKSGIVING.

M. O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good. Hall.
C. For His mercy endureth for ever. Hall.

32.

O LORD God, heavenly Father, from whom we receive abundantly all good gifts, and by whom we are daily defended against all evil ; Grant us, we beseech Thee, Thy Holy Spirit, that acknowledging with our whole heart this Thy goodness, we may now and evermore thank and praise Thy loving kindness and tender mercy ; through Jesus Christ Thy Son our Lord, Who with Thee liveth and reigneth, in the Unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

THE PRESENTATION OF CHRIST.

M Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace Hall.

C. For mine eyes have seen Thy salvation. Hall.

33.

A LMIGHTY and everliving God, we humbly beseech Thy Majesty, that as Thine Only-begotten Son was this day presented in the temple in sub-

stance of our flesh, so we may be presented unto Thee with pure and clean hearts, by the same Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE ANNUNCIATION.

M. The Word became flesh. Hall.

C. And dwelt among us. Hall.

34.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, pour Thy grace into our hearts; that as we have known the Incarnation of Thy Son Jesus Christ by the message of an angel, so by His Cross and Passion we may be brought unto the glory of His Resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE VISITATION.

M. My soul doth magnify the Lord. Hall

C. And my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour. Hall.

35.

ALMIGHTY God, Who hast dealt wonderfully with Thy handmaiden the Virgin Mary, and hast chosen her to be the mother of Thy Son, and hast graciously made known that Thou regardest the poor and the lowly and the despised; Grant us grace in all humility and meekness to receive Thy Word with hearty faith, and so to be made one with Thy dear Son; Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

EVANGELISTS', APOSTLES' AND MARTYRS' DAYS.

M. Their voice is gone out through all the earth. Hall.

C. And their words to the end of the world. Hall.

M. Pray ye the Lord of the harvest. Hall.

C. That He would send forth laborers into His harvest.
Hall.

36.

O ALMIGHTY God, Who hast built Thy Church upon the foundation of the Apostles and Prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the head Corner-stone; Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their doctrine, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable unto Thee; through Jesus Christ Thy Son our Lord. Amen.

37.

O ALMIGHTY God, Who hast instructed Thy holy Church, with the heavenly doctrine of Thy Evangelists and Apostles, confessed by our fathers; Give us grace, that being not like children carried away with every blast of vain doctrine, we may be established in the truth of Thy holy Gospel; through Jesus Christ Thy Son our Lord. Amen.

38.

O ALMIGHTY God, Who hast knit together Thine elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of Thy Son Christ our Lord; Grant us grace so to follow Thy blessed Saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those unspeakable joys which Thou hast prepared for those who unfeignedly love Thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

39.

O ALMIGHTY God, Whom truly to know is everlasting life; Grant us perfectly to know Thy Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life; that following the steps of our faithful fathers we may steadfastly walk in the way that leadeth to eternal life, through the same Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE BIRTHDAY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST.

M. Behold I will send my messenger before my face. Hall.
C. And he shall prepare the way before me. Hall.

40.

O LORD God, heavenly Father, Who by Thy servant hast borne witness that Jesus Christ is the Lamb of God which taketh away the sins of the world; Most humbly we beseech Thee, so to enlighten us, by Thy Holy Spirit, that we may at all times receive this testimony with true faith, and steadfastly abiding in Him, with all Thy Saints, come to everlasting life; through the same Thy Son, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

ST. MICHAEL'S DAY.

M. For He shall give His Angels charge over thee. Hall.
C. To keep thee in all thy ways. Hall.

41.

O EVERLASTING God, Who hast ordained and constituted the services of Angels and men in a wonderful order; Mercifully grant, that as Thy holy Angels always do Thee service in heaven, so by Thy appointment they may succor and defend us on earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

GENERAL AND SPECIAL COLLECTS.

VERSICLES.

1.

Minister. Ask, and ye shall receive.*Congregation.* That your joy may be full.

2.

M. Bless the Lord, O my soul: and all that is within me
bless His holy Name. Hall.*C.* Bless the Lord, O my soul: and forget not all His
benefits. Hall.

3.

M. By me kings reign, and princes decree justice, saith
God, the Lord.*C.* By me princes rule and nobles, even all the judges of
the earth.

4.

M. Call upon me in the day of trouble.*C.* I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify me.

5.

M. Christ, being raised from the dead, dieth no more.
Hall.*C.* Death hath no more dominion over Him. Hall.

6.

M. Christ hath abolished death. Hall.*C.* He hath brought life and immortality to light. Hall.

7.

M. Have mercy upon us, O God, according to Thy loving-kindness.*C.* According unto the multitude of Thy tender mercies,
blot out our transgressions.

8.

M. Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of Thy Name.

C. Deliver us, and purge away our sins, for Thy Name's sake.

9.

M. It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord. Hall.

C. And to sing praises unto Thy Name, O most High. Hall.

10.

M. Lord, Thou hast heard the desire of the humble.

C. Thou wilt establish their heart, Thou wilt cause Thine ear to hear.

11.

M. Make me to understand the way of Thy precepts.

C. Strengthen Thou me according unto Thy Word.

12.

M. O God, make clean our hearts within us.

C. And take not Thy Holy Spirit from us.

13.

M. O Lord, deal not with us after our sins.

C. Neither reward us according to our iniquities.

14.

M. O Lord, enter not into judgment with Thy servant.

C. For in Thy sight shall no man living be justified.

15.

M. Sanctify us through Thy truth. Hall.

C. Thy Word is truth. Hall.

16.

M. Save Thy people, and bless Thine inheritance.

C. Feed them also, and lift them up for ever.

17

M. Show us Thy mercy, O Lord.

C. And grant us Thy salvation.

18.

M. Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not.

C. For of such is the kingdom of God.

19.

M. The Gentiles shall come to Thy light. Hall.

C. And kings to the brightness of Thy rising. Hall.

20.

M. The Lord God is a sun and shield, the Lord will give grace and glory. Hall.

C. No good thing will He withhold from them that walk uprightly. Hall.

21.

M. The Lord is merciful and gracious. Hall.

C. Slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy. Hall.

22.

M. The Lord will give strength unto His people. Hall.

C. The Lord will bless His people with peace. Hall.

23.

M. They that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament. Hall.

C. And they that turn many to righteousness, as the stars for ever and ever. Hall.

24.

M. This is the day which the Lord hath made. Hall.

C. We will rejoice and be glad in it. Hall.

25.

M. We have sinned with our fathers.

C. We have committed iniquity, we have done wickedly.

26.

M. We have trusted in Thy mercy.

C. Our heart shall rejoice in Thy salvation.

GENERAL COLLECTS.

42.

A LMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who by Thy Holy Spirit dost govern and sanctify the whole Christian Church; Hear our prayers for all members of the same, and mercifully grant, that by Thy grace they may serve Thee in true faith; through Jesus Christ Thy Son our Lord. *Amen.*

43.

A LMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, Who, of Thy tender love towards us sinners hast given us Thy Son, that believing on Him we might have everlasting life; Grant us, we beseech Thee, Thy Holy Spirit, that we may continue steadfast in this faith to the end, and may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ Thy Son our Lord. *Amen.*

44.

A LMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who by Thy Son hast promised us forgiveness of sins and everlasting life; We beseech Thee so to rule and govern our hearts by Thy Holy Spirit, that in our daily need, and especially in all time of temptation, we may seek help from Him, and by a true and lively faith in Thy Word obtain the same; through Thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ, Who with Thee liveth and reigneth, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

45.

WE beseech Thee, Almighty God, mercifully to look upon Thy people; that by Thy great goodness they may be governed and preserved evermore, both in body and soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

46.

LET Thy merciful ear, O Lord, be open to the prayers of Thy humble servants ; and that they may obtain their petitions, make them to ask such things as shall please Thee ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

47.

O GOD, our refuge and strength, Who art the author of all godliness ; Be ready, we beseech Thee, to hear the devout prayers of Thy Church ; and grant that those things which we ask faithfully we may obtain effectually ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

48.

ALMIGHTY God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid ; Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love Thee, and worthily magnify Thy holy Name ; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

49.

O GOD, forasmuch as without Thee we are not able to please Thee ; Mercifully grant that Thy Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

50.

O GOD, Who hast prepared for those who love Thee such good things as pass man's understanding ; Pour into our hearts such love toward Thee, that we, loving Thee above all things, may obtain Thy promises, which exceed all that we can desire ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

51.

Lord of all power and might, Who art the author and giver of all good things ; Graft in our

hearts the love of Thy Name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of Thy great mercy keep us in the same ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

52.

ALMIGHTY God, Who hast given us commandment to pray for the gift of the Holy Ghost ; Most heartily we beseech Thee, O heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ our Advocate, to grant us Thy Holy Spirit, that He may quicken our hearts by Thy saving Word, and lead us into all truth, that He may guide, instruct, enlighten, govern, comfort and sanctify us unto everlasting life ; through the same Thy Son. *Amen.*

53.

ALMIGHTY God, Who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto Thee ; and dost promise that when two or three are gathered together in Thy Name Thou wilt grant their requests ; Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of Thy servants, as may be most expedient for them ; granting us in this world knowledge of Thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

SPECIAL COLLECTS.

FOR THE CHURCH.

54.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, unto Thy Church, Thy Holy Spirit, and the wisdom which cometh down from above, that Thy Word, as becometh it, may not be bound, but have free course and be preached to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people, that in steadfast faith we may serve

Thee, and in the confession of Thy Name may abide unto the end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

55.

O LORD, we beseech Thee to keep Thy Church and Household continually in Thy true religion; that they who do lean only upon the hope of Thy heavenly grace may evermore be defended by Thy mighty power: through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

56.

GRANT, O Lord, we beseech Thee, that the course of this world may be so peacefully ordered by Thy governance, that Thy Church may joyfully serve Thee in all godly quietness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

57.

KEEP, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy Church with Thy perpetual mercy; and, because the frailty of man without Thee cannot but fall, keep us ever by Thy help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

58.

O LORD, we beseech Thee, let Thy continual pity cleanse and defend Thy Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without Thy succor, preserve it evermore by Thy help and goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

59.

ORD, we beseech Thee to keep Thy Household the Church in continual godliness; that through Thy protection it may be free from all adversities,

and devoutly given to serve Thee in good works, to the glory of Thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

60.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified; Receive our supplications and prayers, which we offer before Thee for all estates of men in Thy holy Church, that every member of the same, in his vocation and ministry, may truly and godly serve Thee; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

61.

MERCIFUL Lord, we beseech Thee to cast the bright beams of Thy light upon Thy Church, that it being instructed by the doctrine of the blessed Apostles, restored by our fathers, may so walk in the light of Thy truth, that it may at length attain to the light of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

62.

For the Ministers of the Word.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who alone doest great wonders; Send down upon Thy Ministers, and upon the Congregations committed to their charge, the healthful Spirit of Thy grace; and, that they may truly please Thee, pour upon them the continual dew of Thy blessing; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

63.

ALMIGHTY and gracious God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Who hast earnestly com-

manded us to pray that Thou wouldest send laborers into Thy harvest; Give us, we beseech Thee, of Thine infinite mercy, true teachers and ministers of Thy Word, and put Thy saving Gospel in their hearts and on their lips, that they may truly fulfil Thy command, and preach nothing contrary to Thy holy Word; that we, being warned, instructed, nurtured, comforted and strengthened by Thy heavenly Word, may do those things which are well pleasing to Thee and profitable to us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

64.

For the Church Militant.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who wilt have all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of Thy heavenly truth; We beseech Thy glorious Majesty, through Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour, that Thou wouldest impart the grace and help of Thy Holy Spirit to all ministers of Thy Word in the Church of Christ, that they may purely teach it to the saving of men; that by Thine almighty power and unsearchable wisdom, Thou wouldest bring to nought all the counsels of those who hate Thy Word, and who by corrupt teaching or with violent hands would destroy it, that Thou wouldest enlighten them with the knowledge of Thy glory; that we, leading a quiet and peaceable life, may learn the riches of Thy heavenly grace by a pure faith, and serve Thee the only true God in holiness and righteousness, which are well pleasing to Thee; through Jesus Christ Thy dear Son our Lord, Who with Thee liveth and reigneth, in the Unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

65.

For the Children of the Church.

A LMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who dost will that not one of these little ones should perish, but hast sent Thine Only Son to seek and to save that which was lost, and through Him hast said, Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not; for of such is the kingdom of God; Most heartily we beseech Thee so to bless and govern the children of Thy Church, by Thy Holy Spirit, that they may grow in grace and in the knowledge of Thy Word; protect and defend them against all danger and harm, giving Thy holy angels charge over them; through Jesus Christ Thy Son our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR RULERS AND PEOPLE.

66.

A LMIGHTY God, King of kings, Who holdest the supreme authority over all the kingdoms of this world, and ordainest rule and government among men; We give Thee thanks for the establishment of civil government, and especially for that which Thou hast set over our beloved country, under the shadow of which we can hear and obey Thy Word, and none dare molest or make us afraid; and we beseech Thee to guide and govern, to protect and defend our Rulers, and continually to preserve unto us the blessed light of Thy Word, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty; through Jesus Christ Thy dear Son our Lord, Who with Thee liveth and reigneth, in the Unity of the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

67.

O MERCIFUL Father in heaven, Who holdest in Thy hand all the might of man, and who hast ordained the powers that be for the punishment of evil-doers, and for the praise of them that do well, and of whom is all rule and authority in the kingdoms of the world; We humbly beseech Thee, graciously regard Thy servants the President of the United States, the Governor of this Commonwealth, our Judges and Magistrates, and all the Rulers of the earth. May all that receive the sword, as Thy ministers, bear it according to Thy commandment. Enlighten and defend them by Thy Name, O God. Grant them wisdom and understanding, that under their peaceable governance Thy people may be guarded and directed in righteousness, quietness, and unity. Protect and prolong their life, O God of our salvation, that we, with them, may show forth the praise of Thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

68.

For our Enemies.

FORGIVE, we beseech Thee, O Lord, our enemies, and them that despitefully use us, and so change their hearts that they may walk with us in meekness and peace through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

69.

O ALMIGHTY, everlasting God, Who, through Thine Only Son, our blessed Lord, hast commanded us to love our enemies, to do good to them that hate us, and to pray for them that persecute us; We earnestly beseech Thee that by Thy gracious visitation they may be led to true repentance, and

may have the same love, and be of one accord and of one mind and heart with us, and with Thy whole Christian Church; through the same Thy dear Son our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

70.

In time of War.

O LORD God, heavenly Father, we humbly confess unto Thee that by our evil doings and continual disobedience, we have deserved these Thy chastisements; But we earnestly beseech Thee, for Thy Name's sake, to spare us; restrain the harmful power of the enemy, and succor Thy suffering people, that Thy Word may be declared faithfully and without hinderance, and that we, amending our sinful lives, may walk obediently to Thy holy commandments; through Jesus Christ Thy Son our Lord. *Amen.*

IN SPECIAL AND GENERAL NEED.

IN TIME OF AFFLCTION AND DISTRESS.

71.

A LMIGHTY and everlasting God, the Consolation of the sorrowful, and the Strength of the weak; May the prayers of them that in any tribulation or distress cry unto Thee, graciously come before Thee, so that in all their necessities they may mark and receive Thy manifold help and comfort; through our Lord Jesus Christ, Who with Thee liveth and reigneth, in the Unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

72.

O GOD, merciful Father, Who despisest not the sighing of a contrite heart, nor the desire of such as are sorrowful; Mercifully assist our prayers

which we make before Thee in all our troubles and adversities, whensoever they oppress us; and graciously hear us, that those evils which the craft or subtilty of the devil or man worketh against us, may, by Thy good providence, be brought to nought; that we Thy servants, being hurt by no persecutions, may evermore give thanks unto Thee in Thy holy Church; through Jesus Christ Thy Son our Lord. *Amen.*

73.

A LMIGHTY and most merciful God, Who hast appointed us to endure sufferings and death with our Lord Jesus Christ, before we enter with Him into eternal glory; Grant us grace at all times to subject ourselves to Thy Holy will, and to continue steadfast in the true faith unto the end of our lives, and at all times to find peace and joy in the blessed hope of the resurrection of the dead, and of the glory of the world to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

74.

In time of great Sickness.

A LMIGHTY and most merciful God, our heavenly Father, we Thine erring children humbly confess unto Thee, that we have justly deserved the chastening, which for our sins Thou hast sent upon us; But we entreat Thee, of Thy boundless goodness to grant us true repentance, graciously to forgive our sins, to remove from us or to lighten our merited punishment, and so to strengthen us by Thy grace that as obedient children we may be subject to Thy will, and bear our afflictions in patience; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

75.

In time of War, Pestilence, or other great Calamity.

MOST loving and gracious Lord God, Who art pleased, for our many grievous sins, sorely to chasten us, we flee to Thy tender and fatherly compassion alone, beseeching Thee that as a father pitith his children Thou wouldest pity us miserable sinners. Turn away Thy righteous wrath, and give us not over to deserved death, but deliver us, that we may now and evermore praise Thee, O gracious God and Father, who desirest not the death of a sinner, but rather that he may turn from his wickedness and live; through Jesus Christ Thy Son our Lord. *Amen.*

76.

For Prisoners.

ALMIGHTY God, Who didst bring the Apostle Peter forth out of prison; Have mercy upon all who are suffering imprisonment, and set them free from their bonds, that we may rejoice in their deliverance, and continually give praise to Thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

77.

For Mothers.

ALMIGHTY everlasting God and Father, Creator of all things, Who by Thy grace, through Thy Son our Lord, who hath redeemed us from the flesh and sin, makest the anguish of our human birth a holy and salutary cross; We pray Thee, O gracious Father, Lord and God, that Thou wouldest preserve and guard the work of Thine own hand. Forsake not them who cry to Thee in sore travail, but deliver them out of all their pains, to their joy and to the glory of Thy goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen,*

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE ERRED.

78.

O ALMIGHTY, merciful, and gracious God and Father, with our whole heart we beseech Thee for all who have forsaken the Christian faith, all who have wandered from any portion thereof, or are in doubt or temptation through the corruptors of Thy Word, that Thou wouldest visit them as a Father, wouldest reveal unto them their error, and bring them back from their wanderings, that they, in singleness of heart, taking pleasure alone in the pure truth of Thy Word, may be made wise thereby unto everlasting life; through faith in Jesus Christ Thy Son our Lord. *Amen.*

79.

A LMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, Whose property it is always to have mercy; We most earnestly beseech Thee to visit with Thy fatherly correction all such as have erred and gone astray from the truth of Thy holy Word, and to bring them to a due sense of their error, that they may again with hearty faith receive and hold fast Thine unchangeable truth; through Jesus Christ Thy Son our Lord, Who with Thee liveth and reigneth, in the Unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

80.

A LMIGHTY God, Who shonest to them that are in error the light of Thy truth, to the intent that they may return into the way of righteousness; Grant unto all those who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may avoid those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

IN GENERAL NEED.

81.

O GOD, the Protector of all that trust in Thee, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy; Multiply upon us Thy mercy, that by Thy holy inspiration we may think those things that are good, and by Thy merciful guiding may perform the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

82.

O LORD God, heavenly Father, from whom with out ceasing we receive exceeding abundantly all good gifts, and who daily of Thy pure grace guardest us against all evil; Grant us, we beseech Thee, Thy Holy Spirit, that acknowledging with our whole heart all this Thy goodness, we may now and evermore thank and praise Thy loving kindness and tender mercy; through Jesus Christ Thy Son our Lord, Who with Thee and the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

83.

O LORD God, heavenly Father, we beseech Thee, let Thy Holy Spirit dwell in us, that he may enlighten and lead us into all truth, and evermore defend us from all adversities; Who with Thee and the Son liveth and reigneth, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

84.

O GOD, Whose never-failing providence ordereth all things both in heaven and earth; We humbly beseech Thee to put away from us all hurtful things, and to give us those things which are profitable for us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR TEMPORAL BLESSINGS.

85.

O LORD, Father Almighty, Who by Thy Son, the Eternal Word, hast created and dost bless and uphold all things; We pray Thee so to reveal unto us Christ Thy Word, that He dwelling in our hearts, we may by Thy grace be made meet to receive Thy blessing on all the fruits of the earth, and whatsoever pertains to our bodily need, so that we may use these Thy gifts to Thy glory and our neighbor's good; through the same our Lord Jesus Christ, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee, in the Unity of the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

86.

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, Whose mercies are new unto us every morning, and who, though we have in no wise deserved Thy goodness, dost abundantly provide for all our wants of body and soul; Give us, we pray Thee, Thy Holy Spirit, that we may heartily acknowledge Thy merciful goodness toward us, give thanks for all Thy benefits, and serve Thee in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ Thy Son our Lord. *Amen.*

87.

For Rain.

O GOD, most merciful Father, we beseech Thee to open the windows of heaven and to send a fruitful rain upon us, to revive the earth and to refresh the fruits thereof, for all things droop and wither; graciously hear our prayer in this our necessity, that we may praise and glorify Thy Name for ever and ever; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

88.

For fair Weather.

O LORD God, heavenly Father, Who art gracious and merciful, and hast promised by Thy Son, that Thou wilt hear us when we call upon Thee in our troubles ; We beseech Thee, look not upon our sins and evil doings, but upon our necessities, and according to Thy mercy send us such seasonable weather, that the earth may in due time yield her increase ; that by Thy goodness we may receive our daily bread, and learn to know Thee as a merciful God, and evermore to give thanks to Thee for Thy goodness ; through Jesus Christ Thy dear Son our Lord. *Amen.*

89.

O LORD God Almighty, Who rulest all the works of Thy hand, and suppliest the wants of every living thing, by whose gracious will all things are ordered ; Grant us, Thy children, a gracious rain, (favorable weather,) that our land may, by Thy blessing, be filled with its fruits, and that we, beholding and acknowledging Thy hand in all our mercies, may ever magnify Thee ; through Jesus Christ Thy Son our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR SPIRITUAL BLESSINGS.

90. .

O LORD, from whom all good things do come ; Grant to us Thy humble servants, that by Thy holy inspiration we may think those things that are good, and by Thy merciful guiding may perform the same ; through our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

91.

O GOD, the Protector of all that trust in Thee, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy; Increase and multiply upon us Thy mercy; that, Thou being our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal that we finally lose not the things eternal. Grant this, O heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS.

92.

A LMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, Who desirest not the death of a sinner, but rather that he should turn from his evil way and live; We beseech Thee graciously to turn from us those punishments which we by our sins have deserved, and to grant us grace ever hereafter to serve Thee in holiness and pureness of living; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

93.

A LMIGHTY and most merciful God, our heavenly Father, of whose compassion there is no end, who art long-suffering, gracious, and plenteous in goodness and truth; forgiving iniquity, transgression and sin; we have sinned and done perversely, we have forsaken and grievously offended Thee; against Thee, Thee only, have we sinned and done evil in Thy sight; But we beseech Thee, O Lord, remember not against us former iniquities; let Thy tender mercies speedily prevent us, for we are brought very low; help us, O God of our salvation, and purge away our sins, for the glory of Thy holy Name, and for the sake of Thy dear Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, Who with Thee liveth and reigneth, in the Unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

94.

A LMIGHTY God, Who knowest us to be set in the midst of so many and great dangers, that by reason of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright; Grant to us such strength and protection as may support us in all dangers, and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

95.

A LMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who hatest nothing that Thou hast made, and dost forgive the sins of all those who are penitent; Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we worthily lamenting our sins, and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of Thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

96.

SPARE us, O Lord, and mercifully forgive us our sins, and though by our continual transgressions we have merited Thy punishments, be gracious unto us, and grant that all those evils which we have deserved, may be turned from us, and overruled to our everlasting good; through Jesus Christ Thy Son our Lord. *Amen.*

97.

A LMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who, of Thy great mercy in Jesus Christ Thy Son, dost grant us forgiveness of sin, and all things pertaining to life and godliness; Grant us, we beseech Thee, Thy Holy Spirit, that He may so rule our hearts, that we, being ever mindful of Thy fatherly mercy, may strive to mortify the flesh, and to overcome the world; and serving Thee in holiness and pureness of

living, may give Thee continual thanks for all Thy goodness ; through Jesus Christ Thy Son our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR FAITH AND A GODLY LIFE.

98.

GRANT us, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, a steadfast faith in Jesus Christ, a cheerful hope in Thy mercy, and a sincere love to Thee and to all our fellow men ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

99.

GRANT to us, Lord, we beseech Thee, the spirit to think and do always such things as are right ; that we, who cannot do any thing that is good without Thee, may by Thee be enabled to live according to Thy will ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

100.

OLORD, raise up, we pray Thee, Thy power, and come among us, and with great might succor us ; that whereas, through our sins and wickedness, we are sore hindered in running the race that is set before us, Thy bountiful grâcé and mercy may speedily help and deliver us : through the satisfaction of Thy Son our Lord, to whom, with Thee and the Holy Ghost, be honor and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

101.

ALMIGHTY and merciful God, of whose only gift it cometh that Thy faithful people do unto Thee true and laudable service ; Grant, we beseech Thee, that we may so faithfully serve Thee in this life that we fail not finally to attain Thy heavenly promises ; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

102.

ASSIST us mercifully, O Lord, in these our supplications and prayers; and dispose the way of Thy servants towards the attainment of everlasting salvation; that among all the chances and changes of this mortal life, they may ever be defended by Thy most gracious and ready help; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

103.

DIRECT us, O Lord, in all our doings, with Thy most gracious favor, and further us with Thy continual help; that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in Thee, we may glorify Thy holy Name; and finally, by Thy mercy, obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR PEACE.

104.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, King of glory and Lord of heaven and earth, by whose Spirit all things are governed, by whose providence all things are ordered, who art the God of peace, and the author of all concord; Forgive us, we beseech Thee, our sins, and grant us Thy heavenly peace and concord, that we may serve Thee in true fear, to the praise and glory of Thy Name; through Jesus Christ Thy Son our Lord, Who with Thee liveth and reigneth, in the Unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

105.

O GOD, from Whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed; Give unto Thy servants that peace, which the world cannot

give ; that our hearts may be set to obey Thy commandments, and also that by Thee, we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness ; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen.*

106.

O GOD, Who art the author of peace and lover of concord, in knowledge of whom standeth our eternal life, whose service is perfect freedom ; Defend us Thine humble servants in all assaults of our enemies ; that we, surely trusting in Thy defence, may not fear the power of any adversaries ; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

107.

A LMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who dost govern all things in heaven and earth ; Mercifully, hear the supplications of Thy people, and grant us Thy peace all the days of our life ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

108.

O LORD, favorably receive the prayers of Thy Church, that, being delivered from all adversity and error, it may serve Thee in safety and freedom ; and grant us Thy peace in our time ; through our Lord Jesus Christ Thy Son, Who with Thee liveth and reigneth, in the Unity of the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

GENERAL PRAYERS

FOR MORNING OR EVENING SERVICE.

I.

THE LITANY.

¶ The Litany may be used at Evening Service on Sundays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, on Days of Humiliation and Prayer, and at Morning Service on Sundays when there is no Communion. The responses in italics should be sung or said by the Congregation. The responses may be repeated after each phrase, or only at the end of each group, as here followeth:

LORD, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, hear us

O Christ, hear us.

O God, the Father in heaven;

Have mercy upon us.

O God the Son, Redeemer of the world;

Have mercy upon us.

O God, the Holy Ghost;

Have mercy upon us.

Be gracious unto us.

Spare us, good Lord.

Be gracious unto us.

Help us, good Lord.

From all sin;

From all error;

From all evil:

Good Lord, deliver us

From the crafts and assaults of the devil ;
 From sudden and evil death ;
 From pestilence and famine ;
 From war and bloodshed ;
 From sedition and rebellion ;
 From lightning and tempest ;
 From all calamity by fire and water ;
 And from everlasting death :

Good Lord, deliver us.

By the mystery of Thy holy Incarnation ;
 By Thy holy Nativity ;
 By Thy Baptism, Fasting, and Temptation ;
 By Thine Agony and Bloody Sweat ;
 By Thy Cross and Passion ;
 By Thy precious Death and Burial ;
 By Thy glorious Resurrection and Ascension ;
 And by the coming of the Holy Ghost, the Com-
 forter :

Help us, good Lord.

In all time of our tribulation ;
 In all time of our prosperity ;
 In the hour of death ;
 And in the day of judgment :

Help us, good Lord.

We poor sinners do beseech Thee ;

To hear us, O Lord God.

And to rule and govern Thy holy Christian Church ;
 To preserve all pastors and ministers of Thy
 Church in the true knowledge and understanding of
 Thy Word, and in holiness of life ;

To put an end to all schisms and causes of offence ;
 To bring into the way of truth all such as have
 erred, and are deceived ;

To beat down Satan under our feet ;

To send faithful laborers into Thy harvest ;

To accompany Thy Word with Thy Spirit and
 grace ;

To raise up them that fall, and to strengthen such as do stand ;

And to comfort and help the weak-hearted and the distressed :

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

To give to all nations peace and concord ;

To preserve our country from discord and contention ;

To give to our nation perpetual victory over all its enemies ;

To direct and defend our President, and all in authority ;

And to bless and keep our magistrates, and all our people :

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

To behold and succor all who are in danger, necessity, and tribulation ;

To protect all who travel by land or water ;

To preserve all women in the perils of childbirth ;

To strengthen and keep all sick persons and young children ;

To set free all who are innocently imprisoned ;

To defend and provide for all fatherless children and widows ;

And to have mercy upon all men :

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

To forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers, and to turn their hearts ;

To give and preserve to our use the fruits of the earth ;

And graciously to hear our prayers :

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

O Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God ;

We beseech Thee to hear us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world ;

Have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world;

Have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world;

Grant us Thy peace.

O Christ, hear us.

O Christ, hear us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us. Amen

¶ *Then shall the Minister, and the Congregation with him, say the Lord's Prayer, after which may be said one or more of the Litany Collects here following.*

OUR Father, who art in heaven; Hallowed be Thy Name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven; Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

LITANY COLLECTS.

1.

M. O Lord, deal not with us after our sins.

C. Neither reward us according to our iniquities.

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, Who desirest not the death of a sinner, but rather that he should turn from his evil way and live; We beseech Thee graciously to turn from us those punishments which we by our sins have deserved, and to grant us grace ever hereafter to serve Thee in holiness.

ness and pureness of living; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

2.

M. Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of Thy Name.

C. Deliver us, and purge away our sins, for Thy Name's sake.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who by Thy Holy Spirit dost govern and sanctify the whole Christian Church; Hear our prayers for all members of the same, and mercifully grant, that by Thy grace they may serve Thee in true faith; through Jesus Christ Thy Son our Lord. *Amen.*

3.

M. O Lord, deal not with us after our sins.

C. Neither reward us according to our iniquities.

OGOD, merciful Father, Who despisest not the sighing of a contrite heart, nor the desire of such as are sorrowful; Mercifully assist our prayers which we make before Thee in all our troubles and adversities, whensoever they oppress us; and graciously hear us, that those evils which the craft and subtilty of the devil or man worketh against us, may, by Thy good providence, be brought to nought; that we Thy servants, being hurt by no persecutions, may evermore give thanks unto Thee in Thy holy Church; through Jesus Christ Thy Son our Lord. *Amen.*

4.

M. O Lord, enter not into judgment with Thy servant.

C. For in Thy sight shall no man living be justified.

ALMIGHTY God, Who knowest us to be set in the midst of so many and great dangers, that by reason of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright; Grant to us such strength and

protection, as may support us in all dangers, and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

5.

M. Call upon me in the day of trouble.

C. I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify me.

SPARE us, O Lord, and mercifully forgive us our sins, and though by our continual transgressions we have merited Thy punishments, be gracious unto us, and grant that all those evils which we have deserved, may be turned from us, and overruled to our everlasting good; through Jesus Christ Thy Son our Lord. *Amen.*

6.

For Peace.

M. The Lord will give strength unto His people.

C. The Lord will bless His people with peace.

OGOD, from Whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed; Give unto Thy servants that peace, which the world cannot give; that our hearts may be set to obey Thy commandments, and also that by Thee, we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen.*

II.

THE SUFFRAGES.

¶ *The Suffrages may be used at Morning or Evening Service in the same manner as the Litany.*

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Our Father, who art in heaven ; hallowed be Thy Name ; Thy kingdom come ; Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven ; give us this day our daily bread ; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us ; and lead us not into temptation ;

But deliver us from evil.

I said ; O Lord, be merciful unto me ;

Heal my soul : for I have sinned against Thee.

Return, O Lord, how long ?

And let it repent Thee concerning Thy servants.

Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us ;

According as we hope in Thee.

Let Thy priests be clothed with righteousness ;

And let Thy saints shout for joy.

O Lord our King, save us ;

Let the King hear us when we call.

Save Thy people, and bless Thine inheritance ;

Feed them also, and lift them up for ever.

Remember Thy congregation ;

Which Thou hast purchased of old.

Peace be within thy walls ;

And prosperity within thy palaces.

Let us pray for our absent brethren ;

O Thou, our God, save Thy servants that trust in Thee.

Let us pray for the broken-hearted and the captives ;

Redeem Israel, O God, out of all his troubles.

Send them help from the Sanctuary ;

And strengthen them out of Zion.

Hear my prayer, O Lord ;

And let my cry come unto Thee.

¶ Then may be said responsively, by the Minister and Congregation, the Psalm De Profundis, Selection 20, at Morning Service, and

at Evening Service the *Psalm Miserere Mei*, Selection 6, after which shall follow :

Turn us again, O God of hosts ;
Cause Thy face to shine and we shall be saved.
 Arise, O Christ, for our help ;
And redeem us, for Thy mercy's sake.
 Hear my prayer, O Lord ;
And let my cry come unto Thee.
 The Lord be with you.
And with Thy spirit.
 Let us pray.

¶ Then may the Minister say a Collect for the Season and any other suitable Collects, and after that he may say this Collect for peace.

Give peace in our days, O Lord :
Because there is none other that fighteth for us, except Thou, our God.
 O Lord, let there be peace in Thy strength :
And abundance in Thy towers.
 Let us pray.

O GOD, from Whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed; Give unto Thy servants that peace, which the world cannot give; that our hearts may be set to obey Thy commandments, and also that by Thee, we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

Blessed be the Name of the Lord.
Thanks be to God for ever. Amen.

III.

A LMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, we, Thine unworthy servants, do give Thee most humble and hearty thanks for all Thy goodness and loving-

kindness to us, and to all men. We bless Thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all, for Thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we beseech Thee, give us that due sense of all Thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful, and that we may show forth Thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives: that walking before Thee in holiness and righteousness all our days, we may enjoy the testimony of a good conscience and the hope of Thy favor, be sustained and comforted under the troubles of this life, and finally be received into Thine everlasting kingdom, through Thine infinite mercy in Jesus Christ our Lord.

We offer unto Thee our common supplications for the good estate of Thy Church throughout the world; that it may be so guided and governed by Thy good Spirit, that all who profess themselves Christians may be led into the way of truth, and hold the faith in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life. Send down upon all ministers of the gospel, and upon all congregations committed to their charge, the healthful spirit of Thy grace, and that they may truly please Thee, pour upon them the continual dew of Thy blessing.

Most heartily we beseech Thee, with Thy favor to behold the President [and Congress] of the United States, and all others in authority; and so replenish them with Thy grace, that they may always incline to Thy will, and walk in Thy way. Prosper all good counsels and all just works, that peace and happiness, truth and righteousness, religion and piety, may be established among us throughout all generations.

We humbly entreat Thee also for all sorts and conditions of men ; that Thou wouldest be pleased to make Thy ways known unto them, Thy saving health unto all nations.

May it please Thee to preserve all that travel by land or water ; to succor all that are in peril or need : and to satisfy the wants of all Thy creatures.

We also commend to Thy fatherly goodness all those who are in any way afflicted or distressed, in mind, body, or estate ; that it may please Thee to comfort and relieve them according to their several necessities, giving them patience under their sufferings, and a happy issue out of all their afflictions.

¶ *Here special Supplications, Intercessions, and Prayers may be made.*

Hear us, most merciful God, in these our humble requests, which we offer up unto Thee in the Name of Jesus Christ Thy Son our Lord, to whom, with Thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory. world without end. Amen.

IV.

A LMIGHTY and everlasting God, who art worthy to be had in reverence by all the children of men, we give Thee most humble and hearty thanks for the innumerable blessings, both temporal and spiritual, which, without any merit or worthiness on our part, Thou hast bestowed upon us.

We praise Thee, especially, that Thou hast preserved unto us, in their purity, Thy saving Word, and the sacred ordinances of Thy house. And we beseech Thee, O Lord, to grant and preserve unto Thy holy Church, throughout the world, purity of doctrine, and faithful pastors who shall preach Thy Word with power ; and help all who hear, rightly

to understand, and truly to believe the same. Be Thou the Protector and Defender of Thy people in all time of tribulation and danger; and may we, in communion with Thy Church, and in brotherly unity with all our fellow Christians, fight the good fight of faith, and in the end receive the salvation of our souls.

Bestow Thy grace upon all the nations of the earth. Especially, do we entreat Thee to bless our land, and all its inhabitants, and all who are in authority. Cause Thy glory to dwell among us, and let mercy and truth, righteousness and peace everywhere prevail. To this end, we commend to Thy care all our schools, and pray Thee to make them nurseries of useful knowledge and of Christian virtues, that they may bring forth the wholesome fruits of life.

Graciously defend us from all calamities by fire and water, from war and pestilence, from scarcity and famine. Protect and prosper every one in his appropriate calling, and cause all useful arts to flourish among us. Be Thou the God and Father of the widow and the fatherless children, the Helper of the sick and needy, and the Comforter of the forsaken and distressed.

¶ *Here special Supplications, Intercessions, and Prayers may be made.*

And as we are strangers and pilgrims on earth, help us by true faith and a godly life to prepare for the world to come; doing the work which Thou hast given us to do while it is day; before the night cometh when no man can work. And when our last hour shall come, support us by Thy power, and receive us into Thine everlasting kingdom; through Jesus Christ Thy Son our Lord, Who

liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

V.

BRETHREN, let us pray for the whole *Christian Church*, that our Lord God would vouchsafe to defend it against all the assaults and temptations of the adversary, and to keep it perpetually upon the true foundation, Jesus Christ.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who hast revealed Thy glory to all nations in Jesus Christ and the word of His truth; Keep, we beseech Thee, in safety the works of Thy mercy, that so Thy Church, spread throughout all nations, may serve Thee in true faith, and persevere in the confession of Thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Let us pray for the *Ministers* of the Word, for all *orders* of men in the Church, and for all the *people of God*.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified; Receive our supplications and prayers, which we offer before Thee for all estates of men in Thy holy Church, that every member of the same, in his vocation and ministry, may truly and godly serve Thee; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Let us pray for *all in authority*, and especially for the government of the United States, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty

O MERCIFUL Father in heaven, Who holdest in Thy hand all the might of man, and who hast ordained the powers that be for the punishment of evil-doers, and for the praise of them that do well, and of whom is all rule and authority in the kingdoms of the world ; We humbly beseech Thee, graciously regard Thy servants the President of the United States, the Governor of this Commonwealth, our Judges and magistrates, and all the Rulers of the earth ; that all who receive the sword, as Thy ministers, may bear it according to Thy commandment ; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Let us pray our Lord God Almighty that he would deliver the world from all *error*, take away *disease*, ward off *famine*, open the *prisons*, set free *those in bondage*, grant a safe return to the *wayfarers*, health to the sick, and to our *mariners* a harbor of security.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, the Consolation of the sorrowful, and the Strength of the weak ; May the prayers of them that in any tribulation or distress cry unto Thee graciously come before Thee, so that in all their necessities they may mark and receive Thy manifold help and comfort ; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Let us pray for *peace*, that we may come to the knowledge of God's holy Word, and walk before Him as becometh Christians.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, King of glory, and Lord of heaven and earth, by whose Spirit all things are governed, by whose providence all things are ordered, who art the God of

peace, and the author of all concord ; Grant us, we beseech Thee, Thy heavenly peace and concord, that we may serve Thee in true fear, to the praise and glory of Thy Name ; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Let us pray for our *enemies*, that God would remember them in mercy, and graciously vouchsafe unto them such things as are both needful for them and profitable unto their salvation.

O ALMIGHTY, everlasting God, Who, through Thine Only Son, our blessed Lord, hast commanded us to love our enemies, to do good to them that hate us, and to pray for them that persecute us ; We earnestly beseech Thee, that by Thy gracious visitation all our enemies may be led to true repentance, and may have the same love, and be of one accord and of one mind and heart with us and with Thy whole Christian Church ; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Let us pray for the *fruits of the earth*, that God would send down His blessing upon them, and graciously dispose our hearts to enjoy them in submission to His holy will.

O LORD, Father Almighty, Who by Thy Word hast created and dost bless and uphold all things ; We pray Thee so to reveal unto us Thy Word our Lord Jesus Christ, that He dwelling in our hearts, we may by Thy grace be made meet to receive Thy blessing on all the fruits of the earth, and whatsoever pertains to our bodily need ; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Finally, let us pray for all those things for which our Lord would have us ask, saying :

OUR Father, who art in heaven ; Hallowed be Thy Name ; Thy kingdom come ; Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven ; Give us this day our daily bread ; And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us ; And lead us not into temptation ; But deliver us from evil ; For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

CONFESSiON OF FAITH.

PRESENTED TO THE INVINCIBLE EMPEROR CHARLES V,
CÆSAR AUGUSTUS, AT THE DIET OF AUGSBURG,
ANNO DOMINI MDXXX.

[This translation is made from the Latin. The words in brackets are added from the German text. The numbers in the margin are designed to facilitate reference.]

“I will speak of thy testimonies also before kings, and will not be ashamed.”
PSALM 119: 46.

PREFACE TO THE EMPEROR CHARLES V.

Most Invincible Emperor, Cæsar Augustus, Most Clement 1
Master: Inasmuch as Your Imperial Majesty has summoned
a Convention of the Empire at Augsburg, to deliberate in
regard to aid against the Turk, the most atrocious, the here-
ditary, and ancient enemy of the Christian name and religion,
in what way, to wit, resistance might be made to his rage
and assaults, by protracted and perpetual preparation for
war: Because, moreover, of dissensions in the matter of our 2
holy religion and Christian faith, and in order that in this
matter of religion the opinions and judgments of diverse
parties may be heard in each other's presence, may be under-
stood and weighed among one another, in mutual charity,
meekness, and gentleness, that those things which in the 3
writings on either side have been handled or understood
amiss, being laid aside and corrected, these things may be
harmonized and brought back to the one simple truth and
Christian Concord; so that hereafter the one unfeigned and 4
true religion may be embraced and preserved by us, so that
as we are subjects and soldiers of the One Christ, so also, in
unity and concord, we may live in the one Christian Church:
and inasmuch as We, the Electors and Princes, whose names 5

are subscribed, together with others who are conjoined with us, in common with other Electors and Princes, and States, have been called to the aforesnamed Diet, we have, in order to render most humble obedience to the Imperial Mandate, come early to Augsburg, and with no desire to boast would state that we were among the very first to be present.

When therefore Your Imperial Majesty, among other things, 6 has also at Augsburg, at the very beginning of these sessions, caused the proposition to be made to the Princes and States of the Empire, that each of the States of the Empire, in virtue of the Imperial Edict, should propose and offer in the German and in the Latin language its opinion and decision; after dis- 7 cussion on Wednesday we replied to Your Imperial Majesty, that on the following Friday we would offer on our part the Articles of our Confession:

Wherefore, in order that we may do homage to the will of 8 Your Imperial Majesty, we now offer in the matter of religion the Confession of our preachers and of ourselves, the doctrine of which derived from the Holy Scriptures and pure Word of God they have to this time set forth in our lands, dukedom, domains, and cities, and have taught in the churches. 9 If the other Electors, Princes, and States of the Empire, should in the writings, to wit, in Latin and German, according to the aforesmentioned Imperial proposition, produce their opinions in this matter of religion: we here in the presence of Your Imperial Majesty our most Clement Lord, offer ourselves, prepared, in conjunction with the Princes and our friends already designated, to compare views in a kindly manner in regard to mode and ways which may be available, so that as far as may honorably be done, we may agree, and the matter between us of both parts being peacefully discussed, with no hateful contention, by God's help the dissension may be removed, and may be brought back to one true accordant religion (as we are all subjects and soldiers under one Christ, 11 so also we ought to confess one Christ, in accordance with the tenor of the decree of Your Imperial Majesty), and all things should be brought back to the truth of God, which with most fervent prayers we beseech God to grant.

But if, as regards the rest of Electors, Princes, and States, 12 those of the other party, this treatment of the matter of religion, in the manner in which Your Imperial Majesty has wisely thought fit it should be conducted and treated, to wit, with such a mutual presentation of writings and calm conference between us, should not go on, nor be attended by any

result; yet shall we leave a clear testimony that in no manner 13
do we evade anything which can tend to promote Christian
concord (anything which God and a good conscience allow);
and this Your Imperial Majesty and the other Electors and 14
States of the Empire, and all who are moved by a sincere
love of religion and concern for it, all who are willing to
give an equitable hearing in this matter, will kindly gather
and understand from the Confession of ourselves and of ours.

Since, moreover, Your Imperial Majesty has not once only, 15
but repeatedly signified to the Electors, Princes, and other
States of the Empire; and at the Diet of Spires, which was
held in the year of our Lord 1526, caused to be recited and
publicly proclaimed, in accordance with the form of Your
Imperial instruction and commission given and prescribed:
That Your Imperial Majesty in this matter of religion for cer- 16
tain reasons, stated in the name of Your Majesty, was not
willing to determine, nor was able to conclude touching
anything, but that Your Imperial Majesty would diligently
endeavor to have the Roman Pontiff, in accordance with his
office, to assemble a General Council: as also the same matter 17
was more amply set forth a year ago in the last public Con-
vention, which was held at Spires, where through His High 18
ness Ferdinand, King of Bohemia and Hungary, our friend and
clement Lord, afterward through the Orator and the Imperial
Commissioners, Your Imperial Majesty, among other proposi-
tions, caused these to be made, that Your Imperial Majesty
had known and pondered, the resolution to convene a Council, 19
formed by the Representatives of Your Imperial Majesty in
the Empire, and by the Imperial President and Counsellors,
and by the Legates of other States convened at Ratisbon, and
this Your Imperial Majesty also judged that it would be use-
ful to assemble a Council, and because the matters which
were to be adjusted at this time between Your Imperial Ma-
jesty and the Roman Pontiff were approaching agreement
and Christian reconciliation, Your Imperial Majesty did not
doubt that, but that the Pope could be induced to summon a
General Council: Wherefore Your Imperial Majesty signified 20
that Your Imperial Majesty would endeavor to bring it to pass
that the Chief Pontiff, together with Your Imperial Majesty,
would consent at the earliest opportunity to issue letters for
the convening of such a General Council.

As the event, therefore, has been that in this matter of 21
religion the differences between us and the other party have
not been settled in friendship and love, we here present our-

selves before Your Imperial Majesty, in all obedience, and in more than mere obedience, ready to compare views, and to defend our cause in such a general, free, and Christian Council, concerning the convening of which, there has been concordant action and a determination by agreeing votes on the part of the Electors, Princes, and the other States of the Empire, in all the Imperial Diets which have been held in the reign of Your Imperial Majesty. To this Convention of a 22 General Council, as also to Your Imperial Majesty, we have in the due method and legal form, before made our protestation and appeal in this greatest and gravest of matters. To which appeal both to Your Imperial Majesty and a Council 23 we still adhere; nor do we intend, nor would it be possible for us to forsake it by this or any other document, unless the matter between us and the other party should, in accordance with the tenor of the latest Imperial citation, be compared, settled, and brought to Christian concord, in friendship and love; concerning which appeal we here also make our solemn 24 and public protest.

I.

CHIEF ARTICLES OF FAITH.

ARTICLE I.

Of God.

THE churches with common consent among us, do teach 1 that the decree of the Nicene Synod [Council] concerning the unity of the divine essence and of the three persons is true, and without doubt to be believed: to wit, that there is one divine essence which is called and is God, eternal, without body, indivisible [without part], of infinite power, wisdom, goodness, the Creator and Preserver of all things, visible and invisible; and that yet there be three persons of the 3 same essence and power, who also are coeternal, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.

And they use the name of person in that signification in 4 which the ecclesiastical writers [the fathers] have used it in this cause, to signify, not a part or quality in another but that which properly subsisteth. .

They condemn all heresies which have sprung up against 5 this Article, as the Manichees, who set down two principles, good and evil; in the same manner the Valentinians, Arians, Eunomians, Mahometans, and all such like.

They condemn also the Samosatenes, old and new; who, 6 when they earnestly contend that there is but one person, do craftily and wickedly trifle after the manner of Rhetoricians, about the Word and Holy Ghost, that they are not distinct persons, but that the Word signifieth a vocal word, and the Spirit a motion created in things.

ARTICLE II.

Of Original Sin.

Also they teach that after Adam's fall, all men begotten 1 after the common course of nature, are born with sin; that is, without the fear of God, without trust in him, and with 2 fleshly appetite; and that this disease, or original fault is 3 truly sin, condemning and bringing eternal death now also upon all that are not born again by baptism and the Holy Spirit.

They condemn the Pelagians, and others, who deny this 4 original fault to be sin indeed; and who, so as to lessen the glory of the merits and benefits of Christ, argue that a man may, by the strength of his own reason, be justified before God.

ARTICLE III.

Of the Son of God, and of the Holy Spirit.

Also they teach that the Word, that is, the Son of God, 1 took unto him man's nature, in the womb of the blessed Virgin Mary, so that there are two natures, the Divine and 2 the human, inseparably joined together in unity of person; one Christ, true God and true man: who was born of the Virgin Mary, truly suffered, was crucified, dead, and buried, that he might reconcile the Father unto us, and might be a 3 sacrifice, not only for original guilt, but also for all actual sins of men.

The same also descended into hell, and truly rose again the 4 third day. Afterward he ascended into the heavens, that he might sit at the right hand of the Father; and reign forever, and have dominion over all creatures; might sanctify those that believe in him, by sending the Holy Spirit into their

hearts, who shall rule [purify, strengthen], comfort, and quicken them, and shall defend them against the devil, and the power of sin.

The same Christ shall openly come again, to judge the quick and the dead, according as the Apostles' Creed declareth these and other things.

ARTICLE IV.

Of Justification.

Also they teach, that men cannot be justified [obtain forgiveness of sins and righteousness] before God by their own powers, merits, or works: but are justified freely [of grace] for Christ's sake through faith, when they believe that they are received into favor, and their sins forgiven for Christ's sake, who by his death hath satisfied for our sins. This faith doth God impute for righteousness before Him, Rom. iii and iv.

ARTICLE V.

Of the Ministry of the Church.

For the obtaining of this faith, the ministry of teaching the Gospel, and administering the Sacraments was instituted.

For by the Word and Sacraments, as by instruments, the Holy Spirit is given; who worketh faith, where and when it pleaseth God, in those that hear the Gospel, to wit, that God, not for our merit's sake, but for Christ's sake, doth justify those who believe that they for Christ's sake are received into favor.

They condemn the Anabaptists and others, who imagine that the Holy Spirit is given to men without the outward word, through their own preparations and works.

ARTICLE VI.

Of New Obedience.

Also they teach that this faith should bring forth good fruits, and that men ought to do the good works commanded of God, because it is God's will, and not on any confidence of meriting justification before God by their works.

For remission of sins and justification is apprehended by faith, as also the voice of Christ witnesseth: "When ye have done all these things, say, we are unprofitable servants."

The same, also, do the ancient writers of the Church teach;

for Ambrose saith: "This is ordained of God, that he that believeth in Christ shall be saved, without works, by faith alone, freely receiving remission of sins."

ARTICLE VII.

Of the Church.

Also they teach, that one holy Church is to continue for ever. But the Church is the congregation of saints [the assembly of all believers], in which the Gospel is rightly taught [purely preached], and the Sacraments rightly administered [according to the Gospel].

And unto the true unity of the Church, it is sufficient to agree concerning the doctrine of the Gospel and the administration of the Sacraments. Nor is it necessary that human traditions, rites, or ceremonies instituted by men, should be alike everywhere; as St. Paul saith: "There is one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all."

ARTICLE VIII.

What the Church is.

Though the Church be properly the congregation of saints and true believers, yet seeing that in this life many hypocrites and evil persons are mingled with it, it is lawful to use the Sacraments administered by evil men; according to the voice of Christ: "The Scribes and the Pharisees sit in Moses' seat," and the words following. And the Sacraments and the Word are effectual, by reason of the institution and commandment of Christ, though they be delivered by evil men.

They condemn the Donatists and such like, who denied that it was lawful to use the ministry of evil men in the Church, and held that the ministry of evil men is useless and without effect.

ARTICLE IX.

Of Baptism.

Of Baptism they teach, that it is necessary to salvation, and that by Baptism the grace of God is offered, and that children are to be baptized, who by Baptism, being offered to God, are received into God's favor.

They condemn the Anabaptists who allow not the Baptism of children, and affirm that children are saved without Baptism. 3

ARTICLE X.

Of the Lord's Supper.

Of the Supper of the Lord they teach that the [true] 1 body and blood of Christ are truly present [under the form of bread and wine], and are [there] communicated to those 2 that eat in the Lord's Supper [and received]. 3

And they disapprove of those that teach otherwise [wherefore also the opposite doctrine is rejected]. 4

ARTICLE XI.

Of Confession.

Concerning confession, they teach that private absolution 1 be retained in the churches, though enumeration of all offences be not necessary in confession. For it is impossible; according to the Psalm: "Who can understand his 2 errors?"

ARTICLE XII.

Of Repentance.

Touching repentance, they teach that such as have fallen 1 after baptism may find remission of sins, at what time they are converted [when they come to repentance], and that the 2 Church should give absolution unto such as return to repentance.

Now repentance consisteth properly of these two parts: 3 One is contrition, or terrors stricken into the conscience 4 through the acknowledgment of sin: the other is faith, 5 which is conceived by the Gospel, or absolution, and doth believe that for Christ's sake sins be forgiven, and comforteth the conscience, and freeth it from terrors. Then 6 should follow good works, which are fruits of repentance. 6

They condemn the Anabaptists, who deny that men once 7 justified can lose the Spirit of God, and do contend that 8 some men may attain to such a perfection in this life, that they cannot sin. [Here are rejected those who teach, that

those who have once been holy cannot fall again.] The 9 Novatians are also condemned, who would not absolve such as had fallen after baptism, though they returned to repentance. They also that do not teach that remission of sins is 10 obtained by faith, and who command us to merit grace by satisfactions are rejected.

ARTICLE XIII.

Of the Use of Sacraments.

Concerning the use of the Sacraments, they teach that they 1 were ordained, not only to be marks of profession amongst men, but rather that they should be signs and testimonies of the will of God towards us, set forth unto us, to stir up and confirm faith in such as use them. Therefore men must use 2 Sacraments so, as to join faith with them, which believes the promises that are offered and declared unto us by the Sacraments.

Wherefore they condemn those that teach that the Sacra- 3 ments do justify by the work done, and do not teach that faith which believes the remission of sins is requisite in the use of Sacraments.

ARTICLE XIV.

Of Ecclesiastical Orders.

Concerning Ecclesiastical Orders [Church Government], 1 they teach, that no man should publicly in the Church teach, or administer the Sacraments, except he be rightly called [without a regular call].

ARTICLE XV.

Of Ecclesiastical Rites.

Concerning Ecclesiastical rites, they teach, that those 1 rites are to be observed, which may be observed without sin, and are profitable for tranquillity and good order in the Church; such as are, set holidays, feasts, and such like. Yet 2 concerning such things, men are to be admonished, that consciences are not to be burdened as if such service were necessary to salvation.

They are also to be admonished that human traditions, 3

instituted to propitiate God, to merit grace and make satisfaction for sins, are opposed to the Gospel and the doctrine of faith. Wherefore vows and traditions concerning foods and days, and such like, instituted to merit grace and make satisfaction for sins, are useless and contrary to the Gospel. 4

ARTICLE XVI.

Of Civil Affairs.

Concerning civil affairs, they teach that such civil ordinances as are lawful, are good works of God; that Christians may lawfully bear civil office, sit in judgments, determine matters by the imperial laws, and other laws in present force, appoint just punishments, engage in just war, act as soldiers, make legal bargains and contracts, hold property, take an oath when the magistrates require it, marry a wife, or be given in marriage. They condemn the Anabaptists, who forbid Christians these civil offices. They condemn also those that place the perfection of the Gospel, not in the fear of God, and in faith, but in forsaking civil offices, inasmuch as the Gospel teacheth an everlasting righteousness of the heart. In the meantime, it doth not disallow order and government of commonwealths or families, but requireth especially the preservation and maintenance thereof, as of God's own ordinances, and that in such ordinances we should exercise love. Christians, therefore, must necessarily obey their magistrates and laws, save only then, when they command any sin; for then they must rather obey God than men. Acts 5: 29. 5 6

ARTICLE XVII.

Of Christ's Return to Judgment.

Also they teach that, in the consummation of the world [at the last day], Christ shall appear to judge, and shall raise up all the dead, and shall give unto the godly and elect, eternal life, and everlasting joys; but ungodly men and the devils shall be condemned unto endless torments. 1

They condemn the Anabaptists, who think that to condemned men and the devils shall be an end of torments. They condemn others also, who now scatter Jewish opinions, 2 3

that, before the resurrection of the dead, the godly shall occupy the kingdom of the world, the wicked being everywhere suppressed [the saints alone, the pious, shall have a worldly kingdom, and shall exterminate all the godless].

ARTICLE XVIII.

Of Free Will.

Concerning free will, they teach, that man's will hath 1 some liberty to work a civil righteousness, and to choose such things as reason can reach unto: but that it hath no 2 power to work the righteousness of God, or a spiritual righteousness, without the Spirit of God; because that the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: 1 Cor. 2: 14. But this is wrought in the heart when men do 3 receive the Spirit of God through the word.

These things are in as many words affirmed by St. Augustine, *Hypognosticon*, lib. iii: "We confess, that there is in all men a free will, which hath indeed the judgment of reason; not that it is thereby fitted, without God, either to begin or to perform anything in matters pertaining to God, but only in works belonging to this present life, whether they be good or evil. By good works, I mean those which are of the 5 goodness of nature; as to will to labor in the field, to desire meat or drink, to desire to have a friend, to desire apparel, to desire to build a house, to marry a wife, to nourish cattle, to learn the art of divers good things, to desire any good thing pertaining to this present life; all which are not without 6 God's government, yea, they are, and had their beginning from God and by God. Among evil things, I account 7 such as these: to will to worship an image; to will manslaughter, and such like."

They condemn the Pelagians, and others, who teach, that 8 by the powers of nature alone, without the Spirit of God, we are able to love God above all things; also to perform the commandments of God, as touching the substance of our actions. For although nature be able in some sort to do the 9 external works (for it is able to withhold the hands from theft and murder), yet it cannot work the inward motions, such as the fear of God, trust in God, chastity, patience and such like.

ARTICLE XIX.

Of the Cause of Sin.

Touching the cause of sin, they teach, that although God doth create and preserve nature, yet the cause of sin is the will of the wicked; to wit, of the devil, and ungodly men; which will, God not aiding, turneth itself from God, as Christ saith, "When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own." John 8: 44.

ARTICLE XX.

Of Good Works.

Ours are falsely accused of forbidding good works. For 1 their writings extant upon the Ten Commandments, and 2 others of the like argument, do bear witness, that they have to good purpose taught concerning every kind of life, and its duties; what kinds of life, and what works in every calling, do please God. Of which things, preachers in 3 former times taught little or nothing: only they urged certain childish and needless works; as, keeping of holidays, set fasts, fraternities, pilgrimages, worshipping of saints, the use of rosaries, monkery, and such like things. Whereof 4 our adversaries having had warning, they do now unlearn them, and do not preach concerning these unprofitable works, as they were wont. Besides, they begin now to 5 make mention of faith, concerning which there was formerly a deep silence. They teach that we are not justified by 6 works alone, but they conjoin faith and works, and say we are justified by faith and works. Which doctrine is more 7 tolerable than the former one, and can afford more consolation than their old doctrine.

Whereas, therefore, the doctrine of faith, which should be 8 the chief one in the Church, hath been so long unknown, as all men must needs grant, that there was the deepest silence about the righteousness of faith in their sermons, and that the doctrine of works was usual in the Churches, for this cause our Divines did thus admonish the Churches:

First, that our works cannot reconcile God, or deserve 9 remission of sins, grace, and justification at his hands, but that these we obtain by faith only, when we believe that we are received into favor for Christ's sake; who alone is appointed the Mediator and Propitiatory, by whom the Father

is reconciled. He, therefore, that trusteth by his works to 10 merit grace, doth despise the merit and grace of Christ, and seeketh by his own power, without Christ, to come unto the Father: whereas Christ hath said expressly of himself, "I am the way, the truth, and the life." John 14: 6.

This doctrine of faith is handled by Paul almost every- 11 where: "By grace ye are saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God; not of works :" Ephes. 2: 8, 9. And lest any here should cavil, that we bring in a 12 new-found interpretation, this whole cause is sustained by 13 testimonies of the Fathers. Augustine doth in many vol- 14 umes defend grace, and the righteousness of faith, against the merit of works. The like doth Ambrose teach in his book, *De Vocatione Gentium*, and elsewhere; for thus he saith of the calling of the Gentiles: "The redemption made by the blood of Christ would be of small account, and the prerogative of man's works would not give place to the mercy of God, if the justification which is by grace were due to merits going before; so as it should not be the liberality of the giver, but the wages or hire of the laborer."

This doctrine though it be contemned of the unskilful, yet 15 godly and fearful consciences find by experience that it bringeth very great comfort: because that consciences can- 16 not be quieted by any works, but by faith alone, when they believe assuredly, that they have a God who is propitiated for Christ's sake; as Paul teacheth, "Being justified by 17 faith, we have peace with God :" Rom. 5: 1. This doctrine 18 doth wholly belong to the conflict of a troubled conscience; and cannot be understood, but where the conscience hath felt that conflict. Wherefore, all such as have had no ex- 19 perience thereof, and all that are profane men, who dream that Christian righteousness is naught else but a civil and philosophical righteousness, are poor judges of this matter.

Formerly, men's consciences were vexed with the doc- 19 trine of works; they did not hear any comfort out of the Gospel. Whereupon conscience drove some into the desert, 20 into Monasteries, hoping there to merit grace by a monastical life. Others devised other works, whereby to merit 21 grace, and to satisfy for sin. There was very great need 22 therefore to teach and renew this doctrine of faith in Christ; to the end that fearful consciences might not want comfort, but might know that grace, and forgiveness of sins, and justification, were received by faith in Christ.

Another thing, which we teach men, is, that in this place 23 the name of FAITH doth not only signify a knowledge of the history, which may be in the wicked, and in the Devil, but that it signifieth a faith which believeth, not only the history, but also the effect of the history; to wit, the article of remission of sins; namely, that by Christ we have grace, righteousness, and remission of sins. Now, he that knoweth 24 that he hath the Father merciful to him through Christ, this man knoweth God truly: he knoweth that God hath a care of him; he loveth God, and calleth upon him; in a word, he is not without God, as the Gentiles are. For the devils, and 25 the wicked, can never believe this article of the remission of sins: and therefore they hate God as their enemy; they call not upon him, they look for no good thing at his hands. After this manner doth Augustine admonish the reader 26 touching the name of Faith, and teacheth, that this word Faith is taken in Scriptures, not for such a knowledge as is in the wicked, but for a trust, which doth comfort and lift up disquieted minds.

Moreover, ours teach, that it is necessary to do good 27 works; not that we may trust that we deserve grace by them, but because it is the will of God that we should do them. By faith alone is apprehended remission of sins and 28 grace. And because the Holy Spirit is received by faith, our 29 hearts are now renewed, and so put on new affections, so that they are able to bring forth good works. For thus saith Am- 30 brose, "Faith is the begetter of a good will, and of good actions." For man's powers, without the Holy Spirit, are 31 full of wicked affections, and are weaker than that they can do any good deed before God. Besides, they are in the 32 Devil's power, who driveth men forward into divers sins, into profane opinions, and into heinous crimes: as was to be 33 seen in the philosophers, who, assaying to live an honest life, could not attain unto it, but were defiled with many heinous crimes. Such is the weakness of man, when he is without 34 faith and the Holy Spirit, and hath no other guide but the natural powers of man.

Hereby every man may see that this doctrine is not to be 35 accused, as forbidding good works; but rather is much to be commended, because it sheweth after what sort we must do good works. For without faith, the nature of man can 36 by no means perform the works of the First or Second Table. Without faith, it cannot call upon God, hope in God, bear 37

the cross ; but seeketh help from man, and trusteth in man's help. So it cometh to pass, that all lusts and human coun- 38 sels bear sway in the heart so long as faith and trust in God is absent.

Wherefore also Christ saith, "Without me ye can do noth- 39 ing," John 15: 5, and the Church singeth, "Without thy 40 power is naught in man, naught that is innocent.'

ARTICLE XXI.

Of the Worship of Saints.

Touching the worship of saints, they teach, that the 1 memory of saints may be set before us, that we may follow their faith and good works according to our calling ; as the Emperor may follow David's example in making war to drive away the Turks from his country : for either of them is a king. But the Scripture teacheth not to invocate saints, or 2 to ask help of saints, because it propoundeth unto us one Christ the Mediator, Propitiatory, High Priest, and Inter- 3 cessor. This Christ is to be invocated, and he hath promised that he will hear our prayers, and liketh this worship especially, to wit, that he be invocated in all afflictions. "If any man sin, we have an advocate with God, Jesus Christ the righteous :" 1 John 2: 1.

This is about the sum of doctrine among us, in which can 1 be seen that there is nothing which is discrepant with the Scriptures, or with the Church Catholic, or even with the Roman Church, so far as that Church is known from writers [the writings of the Fathers]. This being the case they judge us harshly, who insist that we shall be regarded as heretics. But the dissension is concerning certain [tradi- 2 tions and] abuses, which without any certain authority have crept into the Churches, in which things even if there were some difference, yet would it be a becoming lenity on the part of the bishops, that on account of the Confession which we have now presented, they should bear with us, since not even the Canons are so severe, as to demand the same rites everywhere, nor were the rites of all Churches at any time the same. Although among us in large part the ancient 3 rites are diligently observed. For it is a calumnious false- 4 hood, that all the ceremonies, all the things instituted of old

are abolished in our Churches. But the public complaint 5 was, that certain abuses were connected with the rites in common use. These, because they could not with good conscience be approved, have to some extent been corrected.

II.

ARTICLES IN WHICH ARE RECOUNTED THE ABUSES WHICH HAVE BEEN CORRECTED.

Inasmuch as the Churches among us, dissent in no article 1 of faith from the Church Catholic [the Universal Christian Church], and only omit a few of certain abuses, which are novel [in part have crept in with time, in part have been introduced by violence], and contrary to the purport of the Canons have been received by the fault of the times, we beg that Your Imperial Majesty would clemently hear both what ought to be changed, and what are the reasons that the people ought not to be forced against their consciences to observe those abuses. Nor should Your Imperial Majesty have faith 2 in those who, that they may inflame the hatred of men against us, scatter amazing slanders among the people. In 3 this way the minds of good men being angered at the beginning they gave occasion to this dissension, and by the same art they now endeavor to increase the discords. For be- 4 yond doubt Your Imperial Majesty will find that the form both of doctrines and of ceremonies among us, is far more tolerable than that which these wicked and malicious men describe. The truth, moreover, cannot be gathered from 5 common rumors and the reproaches of enemies. But it is 6 easy to judge this, that nothing is more profitable to preserve the dignity of ceremonies and to nurture reverence and piety among the people, than that the ceremonies should be rightly performed in the Churches.

ARTICLE XXII. (I.)

Of both Kinds [in the Lord's Supper].

Both kinds of the Sacrament in the Lord's Supper are 1 given to the laity, because that this custom hath the commandment of the Lord, "Drink all ye of this:" Matt. 26: 27;

where Christ doth manifestly command concerning the cup, that all should drink. And that no man might cavil, that this doth only pertain to the priests, the example of Paul to the Corinthians witnesseth, that the whole Church did use both kinds in common: 1 Cor. 11: 28. And this custom remained a long time in the Church; neither is it certain, when, or by what authority, it was changed. Cyprian in certain places doth witness, that the blood was given to the people: the same thing doth Jerome testify, saying, "The priests do minister the Eucharist, and communicate the blood of Christ to the people." Nay, Pope Gelasius commandeth, that the Sacrament be not divided: *Dist. 2, De Consecr. Cap. Comperimus.* Only a custom, not thus ancient, doth otherwise. But it is manifest that a custom, brought in contrary to the commandments of God, is not to be approved, as the Canons do witness: *Dist. 8, Cap. Veritate;* with the words which follow. Now this custom has been received, not only against the Scripture, but also against the ancient Canons, and the example of the Church. Therefore if any would rather use both kinds in the Sacrament, they are not to be compelled to do otherwise with the offence of their conscience. And because that the division of the Sacrament doth not agree with the institution of Christ, among us it is the custom to omit that procession which hitherto hath been in use.

ARTICLE XXIII. (II.)
Of the Marriage of Priests.

There was a common complaint of the examples of such priests as were not continent. For which cause also Pope Pius is reported to have said, "that there were certain causes for which marriage was forbidden to priests, but there were many weightier causes why it should be permitted again:" for so Platina writeth. Whereas therefore the priests among us seek to avoid these public offences, they have married wives, and have taught that it is lawful for them to enter into marriage. First, because that Paul saith, "To avoid fornication, let every man have his wife:" again, "It is better to marry than to burn:" 1 Cor. 7: 2, 9. Secondly, Christ saith, "All men cannot receive this word:" Matt. 19: 11; where he sheweth that all men are not fit for a single life, because that God created mankind, male and female: Gen.

1: 28. Nor is it in man's power, without a special gift and 6 work of God, to alter His creation. Therefore such as are 7 not meet for a single life, ought to contract marriage. For 8 no law of man, no vow, can take away the commandment of God, and his ordinance. By these reasons the priests do 9 prove that they may lawfully take wives. And it is well 10 known, that in the ancient Churches priests were married. For Paul saith, "that a bishop must be chosen which is a 11 husband:" 1 Tim. 3: 2. And in Germany, not until about 12 four hundred years ago, the priests were by violence com- 13 pelled to live a single life; who then were so wholly bent against the matter, that the Archbishop of Mentz, being about to publish the Pope of Rome's decree to that effect, was almost murdered in a tumult by the priests in their anger. And the matter was handled so rudely, that not 14 only were marriages forbidden for the time to come, but also such as were then contracted, were broken asunder, con- 15 trary to all laws divine and human, contrary to the Canons themselves, that were before made not only by Popes, but also by most famous Councils. And seeing that, as the 16 world decayeth, man's nature by little and little waxeth weaker, it is well to look to it, that no more vices do over- 17 spread Germany. Furthermore, God ordained marriage to be a remedy for man's infirmity. The Canons themselves do say, that the old rigor is now and then in latter times to be released because of the weakness of men. Which it were to be wished might be done in this matter also. And if marriage be forbidden any longer, the Churches may at length want pastors.

Seeing then that there is a plain commandment of God; 18 seeing the use of the Church is well known; seeing that impure single life bringeth forth very many offences, adulteries, and other enormities worthy to be punished by the godly magistrate, it is a marvel that greater cruelty should be showed in no other thing, than against the marriage of priests. God hath commanded to honor marriage: 19 the laws in all well-ordered commonwealths, even among the 20 heathen, have adorned marriages with very great honors. But now men are cruelly put to death, yea, and priests also, 21 contrary to the mind of the Canons, for no other cause, but marriage. Paul calleth that "a doctrine of devils," which 22 forbiddeth marriage: 1 Tim. 4: 1; which may now very well 23 be seen, since the forbidding of marriage is maintained by

such punishments. But as no law of man can take away the 24 law of God, no more can any vow whatsoever. Therefore 25 Cyprian giveth counsel, that those women should marry, which do not keep their vowed chastity. His words are these, in the 1st Book, the 2d Epistle: "If they will not or are not able to endure, it is far better they should marry, than that they should fall into the fire by their importunate desires. In anywise let them give no offence to their brethren sisters." Yea, even the Canons show some kind of justice 26 towards such as before their ripe years did vow chastity; as hitherto the use hath for the most part been.

ARTICLE XXIV. (III.)

Of the Mass.

Our Churches are wrongfully accused to have abolished 1 the Mass. For the Mass is retained still among us, and celebrated with great reverence; yea, and almost all the 2 ceremonies that are in use, saving that with the things sung in Latin, we mingle certain things sung in German at various parts of the service, which be added for the people's instruction. For therefore alone we have need of ceremonies, that 3 they may teach the unlearned. This is not only commanded 4 by St. Paul, to use a tongue that the people understand, 1 Cor. 14 : 9, but man's law hath also appointed it. We 5 accustom the people to receive the Sacrament together, if so be any be found fit thereunto; and that is a thing that doth increase the reverence and due estimation of the public ceremonies. For none are admitted, except they be first 6 proved. Besides, we put men in mind of the worthiness and 7 use of the Sacrament, how great comfort it bringeth to fearful consciences; that they may learn to believe God, and to look for and crave all good things at his hands. This worship doth 8 please God: such an use of the Sacrament doth nourish piety towards God. Therefore it seemeth not that Masses be more 9 religiously celebrated among our adversaries, than with us.

But it is evident, that of long time this hath been the 10 public and most grievous complaint of all good men, that Masses are basely profaned, being used for gain. And it is 11 not unknown, how far this abuse hath spread itself in all Churches; of what manner of men Masses are used, only for a reward, or for wages; and how many do use them against the prohibition of the Canons. But Paul doth grievously 12

threaten those who treat the Lord's Supper unworthily, saying, "He that eateth this bread or drinketh this cup of the Lord unworthily, shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord :" 1 Cor. 11 : 27. Therefore, when the priests 13 among us were admonished of this sin, private Masses were laid aside among us, seeing that for the most part there were no private Masses but only for lucre's sake. Neither were 14 the bishops ignorant of these abuses, and if they had amended them in time, there had now been less of dissensions. Heretofore, by their dissembling, they suffered much 15 corruption to creep into the Church : now they begin, though 16 it be late, to complain of the calamities of the Church ; seeing that this tumult was raised up by no other mean, than by those abuses, which were so evident, that they could no longer be tolerated. There were many dissensions, concerning- 17 the Mass, concerning the Sacrament. And perhaps the 18 world is punished for so long a profaning of Masses, which they, who both could and ought to have amended it, have so many years tolerated in the Churches. For in the Ten Com- 19 mandments it is written, "He that taketh in vain the name of the Lord, shall not be held guiltless :" Exod. 20 : 7. And 20 from the beginning of the world, there neither was nor is any divine thing, which seems so to have been employed for gain, as the Mass.

There was added an opinion, which increased private 21 Masses infinitely ; to wit, that Christ by his passion did satisfy for original sin, and appointed the Mass, wherein an oblation should be made for daily sins, both mortal and venial. Hereupon a common opinion was received, that the 22 Mass is a work, that taketh away the sins of the quick and the dead, and that for the doing of the work. Here men 23 began to dispute, whether one Mass said for many were of as great force, as particular Masses said for particular men. This disputation hath brought forth that infinite multitude of Masses. Our preachers have admonished, concerning 24 these opinions, that they do depart from the holy Scriptures, and diminish the glory of the passion of Christ. For the 25 passion of Christ was an oblation and satisfaction, not only for original sin, but also for all other sins ; as it is written in the Epistle to the Hebrews, 10 : 10 : "We are sanctified by the 26 oblation of Jesus Christ once made :" also, " By one oblation 27 he hath perfected forever them that are sanctified :" Heb. 10 : 14. The Scripture also teacheth, that we are justified before 28

God through faith in Christ, when we believe that our sins are forgiven for Christ's sake. Now, if the Mass do take 29 away the sins of the quick and the dead, even for the work's sake that is done, then justification cometh by the work of Masses, and not by faith ; which the Scripture cannot endure. But Christ commandeth us "to do it in remembrance of him- 30 self :" Luke 22 : 19, therefore the Mass has been instituted, that faith, in them which use the Sacrament, may remember what benefits it receiveth by Christ, and that it may raise and comfort the fearful conscience. For this is to remember 31 Christ, to wit, to remember his benefits, and to feel and perceive that they be indeed imparted unto us. Nor is it suffi- 32 cient to call to mind the history ; because that the Jews also, and the wicked, can do. Therefore the Mass must be used 33 to this end, that there the Sacrament may be reached unto them that have need of comfort ; as Ambrose saith, "Be- 34 cause I do always sin, therefore I ought always to receive the medicine." And seeing that the Mass is such a com- 35 munion of the Sacrament, we do observe one common Mass every holyday, and on other days, if any will use the Sacra- 36 ment, at which times it is offered to them which desire it. Neither is this custom newly brought into the Church. For 37 the ancients, before Gregory's time, make no mention of any private Mass : of the common Mass they speak much. Chry- 38 sostom saith, "that the priest doth daily stand at the altar, and call some unto the Communion, and put back others." And by the ancient Canons it is evident that some one did 39 celebrate the Mass, of whom the other elders and deacons did receive the body of the Lord. For so the words of the Nicene Canon do sound : "Let the deacons in their order, after the elders, receive the holy Communion of a bishop, or of an elder." And Paul, concerning the Communion, com- 40 mandeth, "that one tarry for another," 1 Cor. 11 : 33, that so there may be a common participation. Seeing therefore 41 that the Mass amongst us hath the example of the Church, out of the Scripture, and the Fathers, we trust that it can- not be disapproved ; especially since our public ceremonies are kept, the most part, like unto the usual ceremonies : only the number of Masses is not alike, the which, by reason of very great and manifest abuses, it were certainly far better to be moderated. For in times past also, in the Churches whereunto was greatest resort, it was not the use to have Mass said every day ; as the Tripartite History, *lib. 9, cap. 38,*

dóth witness. "Again," saith it, "in Alexandria, every fourth and sixth day of the week, the Scriptures are read, and the doctors do interpret them: and all other things are done also, except only the celebration of the Eucharist."

ARTICLE XXV. (IV.)

Of Confession.

Confession is not abolished in our Churches. For it is 1 not usual to communicate the body of our Lord, except to those who have been previously examined and absolved. And the people are taught most carefully concerning the 2 faith required to Absolution, about which before these times there has been a deep silence. Men are taught, that they 3 should highly regard Absolution, inasmuch as it is God's voice, and pronounced by God's command.

The power of the keys is honored, and mention is made, 4 how great consolation it brings to terrified consciences, and that God requires faith, that we believe that absolution as a voice sounding from heaven, and that this faith in Christ truly obtains and receives remission of sins.

Aforetime satisfactions were immoderately extolled: of 5 faith, and the merit of Christ, and justification by faith no mention was made. Wherefore on this point our Churches are by no means to be blamed. For this even our adversaries 6 are compelled to concede in regard to us, that the doctrine of repentance is most diligently treated and laid open by us.

But of Confession our Churches teach, that the enumeration 7 of sins is not necessary, nor are consciences to be burdened with the care of enumerating all sins, inasmuch as it is impossible to recount all sins, as the Psalm (19: 31) testifies: "Who can understand his errors?" So also Jeremiah (17: 9): "The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked. Who can know it?" But if no sins 9 were remitted except what were recounted, consciences could never find peace, because very many sins they can neither see nor remember.

The ancient writers also testify that the enumeration is 10 not necessary. For in the Decrees Chrysostom is cited, who 11 speaks thus: "I do not say to thee, that thou shouldst discover thyself in public, or accuse thyself before others, but I would have thee obey the prophet when he says: 'Reveal thy way unto the Lord.' Therefore with prayer confess thy

sins before God the true Judge. Pronounce thine errors, not with the tongue, but with the memory of thy conscience." And the Gloss (*Of Repentance*, Dist. V, Chap. *Considerel*), 12 admits that Confession is of human right only [is not commanded in Scripture, but has been instituted by the Church].

Nevertheless, on account of the very great benefit of Absolution, as well as for other uses to the conscience, Confession is retained among us. 13

ARTICLE XXVI. (V.)

Of the Distinction of Meats, and of Traditions.

It hath been a general opinion, not of the people alone, but 1 also of such as are teachers in the Churches, that the differences of meats, and such like human traditions, are works available to merit grace, and are satisfactions for sins. And 2 that the world thus thought is apparent by this: that daily new ceremonies, new orders, new holidays, new fasts, were appointed; and the teachers in the Churches did exact these works as a service necessary to deserve grace; and they did greatly terrify men's consciences, if aught were omitted.

Of this persuasion concerning traditions, many disadvantages have followed in the Church. For first the doctrine 3 of grace is obscured by it, and also the righteousness of faith, which is the principal part of the Gospel, and which it behoveth most of all to stand forth and to have the pre-eminence in the Church, that the merit of Christ may be well known, and faith, which believeth that sins are remitted for Christ's sake, may be exalted far above works. For which 5 cause also Paul lays much stress on this point: he removeth the law, and human traditions, that he may show that the righteousness of Christ is a far other thing, than such works as these be, namely, a faith, which believeth that sins are freely remitted for Christ's sake. But this doctrine of Paul 6 is almost wholly smothered by traditions, which have bred an opinion, that, by making difference in meats, and such like services, a man should merit grace and justification. In their doctrine of repentance there was no mention of faith; 7 only these works of satisfaction were spoken of: repentance seemed to consist wholly in these.

Secondly, these traditions obscured the commandments of 8 God, because traditions were preferred far above the commandments of God. All Christianity was thought to be an

observation of certain holidays, rites, fasts, and attire. These 9 observations were in possession of a most goodly title, that they were the spiritual life, and the perfect life. In the 10 meantime, God's commandments, touching every man's calling, were of small estimation: that the father brought up his children, that the mother nurtured them, that the prince governed the commonwealth. These were reputed worldly affairs, and imperfect, and far inferior to those glittering observances. And this error did greatly torment pious 11 consciences, which were grieved that they were held by an imperfect kind of life, in marriage, in magistracy, or in other civil functions. They had the monks, and such like, in admiration, and falsely imagined that the observances of these men were more grateful to God than their own.

Thirdly, traditions brought great danger to men's 12 consciences, because it was impossible to keep all traditions, and yet men thought the observation of them to be necessary services. Gerson writeth, "that many fell into despair, and 13 some murdered themselves, because they perceived that they could not keep the traditions:" and all this while, they never heard the comfort of the righteousness of faith, or of grace. We see the Summists and divines gather together the traditions, and seek qualifications of them, to unburden men's 14 consciences: and yet all will not serve, but meantime they bring more snares upon the conscience. The schools and 15 pulpits have been so busied in gathering together the traditions, that they had not leisure to touch the Scripture, and to seek out a more profitable doctrine, of faith, of the cross, of hope, of the dignity of civil affairs, of the comfort of 16 conscience in arduous trials. Wherefore Gerson, and some 17 other divines, have made grievous complaints, that they were hindered by these strifes about traditions, so that they could not be occupied in some better kind of doctrine. And 18 Augustine forbiddeth that men's consciences should be burdened with observations of this kind, and doth very prudently warn Januarius to know, that they are to be observed as things indifferent; for he so speaketh. Wherefore our 19 ministers must not be thought to have touched this matter rashly, or from hatred of the bishops, as some do falsely surmise. There was great need to admonish the Churches of 19 those errors, which did arise from mistaking of traditions: for the Gospel compelleth men to urge the doctrine of grace, 20 and of the righteousness of faith, in the Church; which yet

can never be understood, if men suppose that they can merit remission of sins, and justification, by observances of their own choice. Thus therefore they teach us, that we cannot 21 merit grace, or justification, by the observation of man's traditions; and therefore we must not think that such observations are necessary service. Hereunto they add testimonies 22 out of the Scriptures. Christ excuseth his disciples, which kept not the received tradition (which yet seemed to be about a matter not unlawful, but indifferent, and to have some affinity with the baptisms of the law); and saith, "They worship me in vain with the commandments of men:" Matt. 15: 9. Christ therefore exacteth no unprofitable service. And a 23 little after, he addeth: "Whatsoever entereth in at the mouth defileth not the man :" ver. 11. So also Paul: "The king- 24 dom of God is not meat and drink :" Rom. 15: 17. "Let no 25 man judge you in meat or drink, or in respect of the Sabbath- days, or of a holiday :" Col. 2: 16. Again: "If ye be dead 26 with Christ from the rudiments of the world, why, as though ye lived in the world, are ye subject to traditions; Touch not, taste not, handle not?" ver. 20, 21. Peter saith, "Why 27 tempt ye God, laying a yoke upon the necks of the disciples, which neither we, nor our fathers, were able to bear? But we believe that through the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, we shall be saved, even as they :" Acts 15: 10, 11. Here 28 Peter forbiddeth to burden the consciences with many rites, whether they be of Moses', or of any others', appointing. And Paul calleth the forbidding of meats, "a doctrine of 29 devils :" 1 Tim. 4: 1, because that it is against the Gospel, to appoint or do such works, to the end that by them we may merit grace, or justification, or as though Christianity could not exist without such service.

Here our adversaries object against us, that our ministers 30 hinder all good discipline, and mortification of the flesh; as Jovinian did. But the contrary may be seen by our men's writings. For they have always taught, touching the cross, 31 that Christians ought to bear afflictions. This is the true, 32 earnest, and unfeigned mortification, to be exercised with divers afflictions, and to be crucified with Christ. Moreover 33 they teach, that every Christian must so by bodily discipline, or bodily exercises and labor, exercise and keep himself under, that plenty and sloth do not stimulate him to sin; not that he may by such exercises merit grace, or satisfy for sins. And this corporal discipline should be used always, not only 34

on a few, and set days; according to the commandment of Christ: "Take heed lest your hearts be overcharged with 35 surfeiting :" Luke 21: 34. Again, "This kind (of devils) 36 goeth not out but by prayer and fasting :" Matt. 17: 21. And Paul saith, "I keep under my body, and bring it into 37 subjection :" 1 Cor. 9: 27, where he plainly sheweth, that he 38 did therefore chastise his body, not that by that discipline he might merit remission of sins, but that his body might be apt and fit for spiritual things and to do his duty, according to his calling. Therefore we do not condemn fasts themselves, but the traditions which prescribe certain days and certain meats, with danger to the conscience, as though such works as these were a necessary service.

Yet most of the traditions are observed among us, which 40 tend unto this end, that things may be done orderly in the Church; as namely, the order of Lessons in the Mass, and the chiefest holidays. But, in the meantime, men are ad- 41 monished, that such a service doth not justify before God, and that it is not to be supposed there is sin in such things, if they be left undone, without scandal. This liberty in 42 human rites and ceremonies was not unknown to the Fathers. For in the East they kept Easter at another time than they 43 did in Rome: and when they of Rome accused the East of schism for this diversity, they were admonished by others, that such customs need not be alike everywhere. And 44 Irenæus saith: "The disagreement about fasting doth not break off the agreement of faith." Besides, Pope Gregory, in the 12th Distinction, intimates, that such diversity doth not hurt the unity of the Church: and in the *Tripartite History*, lib. 9, many examples of dissimilar rites are gathered together, and these words are there rehearsed, "The mind of the Apostles was, not to give precepts concerning holidays, but to preach godliness and a holy life [faith and love]."

ARTICLE XXVII. (VI.)

Of Monastic Vows.

What is taught amongst us touching the Vows of Monks 1 will be better understood, if one call to mind what was the state of monasteries, and how many things were every day committed in the monasteries, contrary to the Canons. In 2 Augustine's time, cloister-fraternities were free; but afterward, when discipline was corrupted, vows were everywhere

laid upon them, that, as it were in a newly-devised prison, the discipline might be restored again. Over and besides 3 vows, many other observances by little and little were added. And these bands and snares were cast upon many, before 4 they came to ripe years, contrary to the Canons. Many 5 through error fell into this kind of life unawares, who, though they wanted not years, yet they wanted discretion to 6 judge of their strength and ability. They who were once got within these nets, were constrained to abide in them, though, by the benefit of the Canons, some might be set at liberty. And that fell out rather in the monasteries of nuns 7 than of monks; although the weaker sex ought more to have been spared. This rigor and severity displeased many good 8 men heretofore, when they saw young maids and young men thrust into monasteries, there to get their living. They saw what an unhappy issue this counsel had, what offences it bred, and what snares it laid upon consciences. They were 9 grieved that the authority of the Canons was wholly neglected and contemned in a thing most dangerous. To all 10 these evils there was added such a persuasion concerning vows, as, it is well known, did in former times displease the monks themselves, if any of them were somewhat wiser than the rest. They taught that vows were equal to baptism: 11 they taught that by this kind of life they merited remission of sins, and justification before God; yea, they added, that 12 the monk's life did not only merit righteousness before God, but more than that, because it observed, not only the commandments, but also the counsels of the Gospel. And thus 13 they taught, that the monk's profession was better than baptism, that the monk's life did merit more than the life of magistrates, of pastors, and such like, who, in obedience to God's commandment, followed their calling, without any such religions of man's making. None of these things can 14 be denied: they are to be seen in their writings. What occurred afterward in the monasteries? In old time they 15 were schools for the study of sacred letters, and other branches of knowledge, which were profitable to the Church; and thence were pastors and bishops taken: but now the case is altered. It is needless to rehearse what is notorious. In old time they came together into such places to learn: 16 but now they feign that it is a kind of life taken up to merit remission of sins, and justification; yea, they say it is a state of perfection, and prefer it to all other kinds of life, the kinds

that God ordained. We have therefore mentioned these things, 17 not to excite odium, exaggerating nothing, to the end that the doctrine of our Churches touching this matter might be understood.

First, concerning such as contract marriage, thus they 18 teach among us: that it is lawful for any to marry, that are not adapted for a single life; forasmuch as vows cannot take away God's ordinance and commandment. The command- 19 ment of God is, "To avoid fornication, let every man have his own wife:" 1 Cor. 7:2. And not only the command- 20 ment, but also the creation and ordinance of God, compelleth such unto marriage, as without the special work of God are not exempted: according to that saying, "It is not good for man to be alone:" Gen. 2:18. They therefore that are 21 obedient to this commandment and ordinance of God, do not sin.

What can be said against these things? Let a man ex- 22 aggerate the bond of a vow as much as he will, yet can he never bring to pass that the vow shall take away God's com- mandment. The Canons teach, "that in every vow the 23 right of the superior is excepted:" much less therefore can these vows, which are contrary to God's commandment, be of force.

If so be that the obligation of vows has no cause why it 24 might be changed, then could not the Roman Pontiffs have dispensed therewith. For neither is it lawful for man to disannul that bond, which doth simply belong to the law of God. But the Roman Pontiffs have judged very prudently, 25 that in this obligation there must equity be used: therefore they often, as we read, have dispensed with vows. The his- 26 tory of the King of Arragon, being called back out of a monastery, is well known; and there are examples in our own time.

Secondly, why do our adversaries exaggerate the obliga- 27 tion, or the effect of the vow; when in the meantime they speak not a word of the very nature of a vow, that it ought to be in a thing possible, ought to be voluntary, and taken up of a man's own accord, and with deliberation? But it is 28 not unknown, how far perpetual chastity is in the power of a man. And how many a one amongst them is there, that doth vow of his own accord, and well advised? Maidens 29 and youths, before they know how to judge, are persuaded, yea, sometimes also compelled, to vow. Wherefore it is not 30

meet to dispute so rigorously of the obligation: seeing that all men confess, that it is against the nature of a vow, that it is not done of a man's own accord, nor advisedly.

The Canons for the most part disannul vows, which are 31 made before fifteen years of age; because that, before one come to that age, there seemeth not to be so much judgment, that determination may be made concerning a perpetual life. Another Canon, permitting more to the weakness of men, 32 doth add some years more; for it forbiddeth a vow to be made, before one be eighteen years of age. But which of 33 these shall we follow? The greatest part have this excuse for forsaking monasteries, because most of them vowed before they came to this age.

Last of all, even though the breaking of a vow were to be 34 reprehended, yet it seems not to follow directly that the marriages of such persons are to be dissolved. For Augus- 35 tine, in his 27th quest. 1st chapt. *Of Marriages*, doth deny that they ought to be dissolved: and his authority is not lightly to be esteemed, although others afterward have thought otherwise. And although the commandment of 36 God, touching wedlock, doth free most men from vows; yet our teachers do also bring another reason concerning vows, to show that they are void: because that all the worship of God, instituted of men without the commandment of God, and chosen to merit remission of sins, and justification, is wicked; as Christ saith: "In vain they do worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men:" Matt. 15:9. And Paul doth everywhere teach, that righteousness 37 is not to be sought of our own observances, and services which are devised by men; but that it cometh by faith to those that believe that they are received into favor by God for Christ's sake. But it is evident that the monks did teach, 38 that these counterfeited religions satisfy for sins, and merit grace and justification. What else is this, than to detract from the glory of Christ, and to obscure and deny the righteousness of faith? Wherefore it followeth, that these com- 39 mon vows were wicked services, and are therefore void. For 40 a wicked vow, and that which is made against the commandments of God, is one of no force; neither, as the Canon saith, ought a vow to be a bond of iniquity. Paul saith, "Christ 41 is become of no effect unto you, whosoever of you are justified by the law; ye are fallen from grace:" Gal. 5:4. They 42 therefore who wish to be justified by vows, are made void or

Christ, and fall from grace. For they also who attribute 43 justification to their vows, attribute to their own works what properly belongs to the glory of Christ. Nor truly can it be 44 denied, that the monks taught that they are justified by their 45 vows and observances, and merit the remission of sins ; nay, they invented yet greater absurdities, and said they could transfer their good works to others. If any man wished to 46 expand these things, so as to excite odium, how many things might he rehearse, whereof the monks themselves are now 47 ashamed ! Moreover, they would persuade men that these 48 invented religious orders are a state of Christian perfection. Or is this not attributing justification to works ? It is no 49 light offence in the Church to propound unto the people a 50 certain service devised by men, without the commandment of God, and to teach that such a service doth justify men : because that the righteousness of faith, which ought especially to be taught in the Church, is obscured, when those marvellous religions of angels, the pretence of poverty and humility, and of celibacy, are cast before men's eyes. Moreover 51 the commandments of God, and the true worship of God, are obscured, when men hear that monks alone are in that state of perfection : because that Christian perfection is this, to fear God sincerely, and again, to conceive great faith, and to trust assuredly that God is pacified toward us, for Christ's sake ; to ask, and certainly to look for, help from God in all our affairs, according to our calling ; and outwardly to do good works diligently, and to attend to our vocation. In 52 these things doth true perfection and the true worship of God consist: it doth not consist in singleness of life, in beggary, or in vile apparel.

The people doth also conceive many pernicious opinions 53 from these false commendations of the monastic life. They 54 hear celibacy praised above measure: therefore with offence of conscience they live in marriage. They hear that mendi- 55 cants only are perfect: therefore with offence of conscience they keep their possessions, and buy and sell. They hear 56 that the Gospel only giveth counsel not to take revenge: therefore some in private life are not afraid to avenge themselves; for they hear that it is a counsel, not a command- 57 ment. Others do think that all magistracy and civil offices are unworthy a Christian man. We read examples of men, 58 who, forsaking wedlock, and leaving the government of the commonwealth, have hid themselves in monasteries. This 59

they called flying out of the world, and seeking a kind of life which is more acceptable to God: neither did they see that God is to be served in those commandments which he himself hath delivered, not in the commandments which are devised by men. That is a good and perfect kind of life, 58 which hath the commandment of God for it. It is necessary 59 to admonish men of these things. And before these times 60 Gerson did reprehend this error of the monks concerning perfection; and witnesseth, that in his time this was a new saying, that the monastical life is a state of perfection. Thus 61 many wicked opinions do cleave fast unto vows: as that they merit remission of sins and justification, that they are Christian perfection, that they do keep the counsels and commandments, that they have works of supererogation. All 62 these things (seeing they be false and vain) do make vows to be of none effect.

ARTICLE XXVIII. (VII.)

Of Ecclesiastical Power.

There have been great controversies touching the power of 1 bishops; in which many have incommodiously mingled together the Ecclesiastical power, and the power of the sword. And out of this confusion there have sprung very great wars 2 and tumults, while that the Pontiffs trusting in the power of the keys, have not only appointed new kinds of service, and burdened men's consciences by reserving of cases, and by violent excommunications; but have also endeavored to transfer worldly kingdoms from one to another, and to despoil emperors of their power and authority. These faults did 3 godly and learned men long since reprehend in the Church; and for that cause, our teachers were compelled, for the 4 comfort of men's consciences, to show the difference between the Ecclesiastical power and the power of the sword. And they have taught that both of them, because of God's commandment, are dutifully to be reverenced and honored, as the chiefest blessings of God upon earth.

Now, their judgment is this: that the power of the keys, 5 or the power of the bishops, by the rule of the Gospel, is a power, or commandment from God, of preaching the Gospel, of remitting or retaining sins, and of administering the Sacraments. For Christ doth send his Apostles with this charge: 6 "As the Father hath sent me, even so send I you. Receive

ye the Holy Ghost: whosesoever sins ye remit, they are remitted unto them; and whosesoever sins ye retain, they are retained:" John 20 : 21-23. "Go, and preach the Gospel 7 to every creature," &c.: Mark 16 : 15. This power is put in 8 execution, only by teaching or preaching the Gospel, and administering the Sacraments, either to many, or to single individuals, in accordance with their call. For thereby not 9 corporal things, but eternal, are granted; as an eternal righteousness, the Holy Ghost, life everlasting. These things can- 10 not be got, but by the ministry of the word and of the Sacra- ments: as Paul saith, "The Gospel is the power of God to salvation to every one that believeth:" Rom. 1 : 16. Seeing 11 then that the Ecclesiastical power concerneth things eternal, and is exercised only by the ministry of the word, it hindereth not the political government, any more than the art of singing 12 binders political government. For the political ad- ministration is occupied about other matters than is the Gospel. The magistracy defends not the minds, but the bodies, and bodily things, against manifest injuries; and coerces men by the sword and corporal punishments, that it may uphold civil justice and peace.

Wherefore the Ecclesiastical and civil powers are not to 13 be confounded. The Ecclesiastical power hath its own commandment to preach the Gospel, and administer the Sacraments. Let it not by force enter into the office of 14 another; let it not transfer worldly kingdoms; let it not abrogate the magistrates' laws; let it not withdraw from them lawful obedience; let it not hinder judgments touching any civil ordinances or contracts; let it not prescribe laws to the magistrate, touching the form of the republic; as Christ saith, "My kingdom is not of this world:" John 18 : 15 36. Again, "Who made me a judge or a divider over you?" 16 Luke 12 : 14. And Paul saith, "Our conversation [citizen- 17 ship] is in heaven:" Phil. 3 : 20. "The weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God, casting down imaginations," &c.: 2 Cor. 10 : 4. In this way do our 18 teachers distinguish between the duties of each power one from the other, and do warn all men to honor both powers, and to acknowledge both to be the [highest] gift and blessing of God.

If so be that the bishops have any power of the sword, 19 they have it not as bishops by the commandment of the Gospel, but by man's law given unto them of kings and em-

perors, for the civil government of their goods. This, however, is a kind of function diverse from the ministry of the Gospel.

Therefore, when the question touches the jurisdiction of 20 bishops, government must be distinguished from Ecclesiastical jurisdiction. Again, by the Gospel, or, as they term it, 21 by divine right, bishops, as bishops, that is, those who have the administration of the word and Sacraments committed to them, have no other jurisdiction at all, but only to remit sin, also to take cognizance of [to judge in regard to] doctrine, and to reject doctrine inconsistent with the Gospel, and to exclude from the communion of the Church, without human force, but by the word [of God], those whose wickedness is known. And herein of necessity the Churches ought by 22 Divine right to render obedience unto them; according to the saying of Christ, "He that heareth you, heareth me:" Luke 10:16. But when they teach or determine anything 23 contrary to the Gospel, then have the Churches a commandment of God, which forbiddeth obedience to them: "Beware of false prophets:" Matt. 7:15. "If an angel from heaven 24 preach any other Gospel, let him be accursed:" Gal. 1:9. "We cannot do anything against the truth, but for the truth:" 25 2 Cor. 13:8. Also, "This power is given us to edify, and 26 not to destroy:" 2 Cor. 13:10. So do the Canons command; 27 ii. *quæst.* 7, *Cap. Sacerdotes*; and *Cap. Oves*. And Augustine, 28 in his *Treatise against Petilian's Epistle*, saith, "Neither must we subscribe to Catholic bishops, if they chance to err, or determine anything contrary to the canonical Scriptures."

If so be that they have any other power or jurisdiction, in 29 hearing and understanding certain cases, as namely, of Matrimony, and Tithes, &c., they hold it by human right. But when the ordinaries fail [to attend to this office], princes are constrained, whether they wish to do so or not, to declare the law to their subjects, for maintaining of peace.

Besides these things, there is a controversy, whether 30 bishops or pastors have power to institute ceremonies in the Church, and to make laws concerning meats, and holidays, and degrees, or orders of ministers. They that ascribe this 31 power to the bishops, allege this testimony for it: "I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now; but when that Spirit of truth shall come, he shall teach you all truth:" John 16:12, 13. They allege also the examples of the Apostles, who commanded to abstain from blood,

and that which was strangled: Acts 15:29. They allege the 33 change of the Sabbath into the Lord's day, contrary, as it seemeth, to the Decalogue; and they have no example more in their mouths, than the change of the Sabbath. They will needs have the Church's power to be very great, because it hath dispensed with a precept of the Decalogue.

But of this question ours do thus teach: that the bishops 34 have no power to ordain anything contrary to the Gospel, as was showed before. The same also do the Canons teach, *Distinct. 9.* Moreover it is against the Scripture, to ordain or 35 require the observation of any traditions, to the end that we may merit remission of sins, and satisfy for sins by them. For the glory of Christ's merit suffers, when we seek by such 36 observances to merit justification. And it is very apparent, 37 that through this persuasion traditions grew into an infinite number in the Church. In the meanwhile, the doctrine concerning faith, and the righteousness of faith, was quite suppressed, for thereupon there were new holidays made, new fasts appointed, new ceremonies, new worships for saints, instituted; because that the authors of such things supposed by these works to merit grace. After the same 38 manner heretofore did the Penitential Canons increase, whereof we still see some traces in satisfactions.

Moreover the authors of traditions do contrary to the command of God, when they find matters of sin in foods, in days and like things, and burden the Church with the servitude of the law, as if there ought to be among Christians, in order to merit justification, a service like the Levitical, the ordination of which God has committed to the Apostles and bishops. For this some of them write, and the Pontiffs in some measure 39 seem to be misled by the example of the Law of Moses. From 40 hence are those burdens, that it is mortal sin, even without offence to others, to do manual labor on the festivals, that it is a mortal sin to omit the Canonical Hours, that certain foods defile the conscience, that fastings are works which appease God; that sin, in a reserved case, cannot be pardoned, but by the authority of him that reserved it; whereas the Canons speak only of reserving of Ecclesiastical penalty, and not of the reserving of the fault. Whence, then, have the 41 bishops power and authority of imposing these traditions upon the Churches, for the ensnaring of men's consciences, when Peter forbids (Acts 15:10) "to put a yoke upon the neck of the disciples," and St. Paul says (2 Cor. 13:10) that

the power given him was to edification, not to destruction ? Why, therefore, do they increase sins by these traditions ? For there are divers clear testimonies, which prohibit the 43 making of such traditions, either to merit grace, or as things necessary to salvation. Paul saith to the Colossians, " Let 44 no man judge you in meat, or in drink, or in respect of an holiday, or of the new moon, or of the Sabbath days :" Col. 2 : 16. Again, " If ye be dead with Christ from the rudi- 45 ments of the world, why, as though living in the world, are ye subject to ordinances (Touch not, taste not, handle not ? which all are to perish with the using), after the commandments and doctrines of men ? which things indeed have a show of wisdom :" Col. 2 : 20-23. And to Titus he doth 46 plainly forbid traditions : for he saith, " Not giving heed to Jewish fables, and to commandments of men, that turn from the truth :" Tit. 1 : 14. And Christ saith of them, which 47 urge traditions, " Let them alone ; they be blind leaders of the blind :" Matt. 15 : 14. And he condemneth such services : " Every plant which my heavenly Father hath not planted, 48 shall be rooted up :" ver. 13. If bishops have authority to 49 burden the Churches with innumerable traditions, and to snare men's consciences, why doth the Scripture so oft forbid to make and to listen to traditions ? Why doth it call them the doctrines of devils ? 1 Tim. 4 : 1. Hath the Holy Ghost warned us of them to no purpose ?

It remaineth, then, that (seeing ordinations, constituted as 50 necessary, or with the opinion of meriting grace, are repugnant to the Gospel) it is not lawful for any bishops to institute or exact such worship. For it is necessary that the doctrine 51 of Christian liberty should be maintained in the Churches [Christendom] ; that the bondage of the law is not necessary unto justification, as it is written to the Galatians, " Be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage :" Gal. 5 : 1. It is 52 necessary that the chiefest point of all the Gospel should be holden fast, that we do freely obtain grace, by faith in Christ, not because of certain observances, or of services devised by men.

What is then to be thought of the Lord's day, and of like 53 rites of temples ? Hereunto they [ours] answer, that it is lawful for bishops or pastors to make ordinances, whereby things may be done in order in the Church ; not that by them we may merit grace, or satisfy for sins, or that men's consciences should be bound to esteem them as necessary ser-

vices, and think that they sin when they violate them, without the offence of others. So Paul ordained, "that women 54 should cover their heads in the congregation :" 1 Cor. 11 : 6 ; "that the interpreters of Scripture should be heard in order, in the Church :" 1 Cor. 14 : 27.

Such ordinances it behooveth the Churches to keep for 55 charity and quietness' sake, so that one offend not another, that all things may be done in order, and without tumult in the Church, 1 Cor. 14 : 40, and Phil. 2 : 14, but so that 56 sciences be not burdened, so as to account them as things necessary to salvation, and think they sin when they violate them, without offence of others : as no one would say that a woman sins, if she went into public with her head uncovered. provided it were without the offence of men.

Such is the observation of the Lord's day, of Easter, of 57 Pentecost, and like holidays and rites. For they that think 58 that the observation of the Lord's day was appointed by the authority of the Church, instead of the Sabbath, as necessary, are greatly deceived. The Scripture, which teacheth that all 59 the Mosaical ceremonies can be omitted after the Gospel is revealed, has abrogated the Sabbath. And yet, because it 60 was requisite to appoint a certain day, that the people might know when they ought to come together, it appears that the [Christian] Church did for that purpose appoint the Lord's day : which for this cause also seemed to have been pleasing, that men might have an example of Christian liberty, and might know that the observation, neither of the Sabbath, nor of any other day, was of necessity.

There are certain marvellous disputationes touching the 61 changing of the law, and the ceremonies of the new law, and the change of the Sabbath : which all arose from the false persuasion, that there should be a service in the Church, like to the Levitical ; and that Christ committed to the Apostles and bishops, the devising new ceremonies, which should be necessary to salvation. These errors crept into the Church, 62 when the righteousness of faith was not plainly enough taught. Some dispute, that the observation of the Lord's 63 day is not indeed of the law of God, *but as it were* of the law of God : and touching holidays, they prescribe how far it is lawful to work in them. What else are such disputationes, 64 but snares for men's consciences ? For though they seek to moderate traditions, yet the equity of them can never be perceived, so long as the opinion of necessity remaineth ;

which must needs remain, where the righteousness of faith, and Christian liberty are not known.

The Apostles commanded to abstain from blood: Acts 15: 65 29. Who observeth that nowadays? And yet they do not sin, that observe it not. For the Apostles themselves would not burden men's consciences with such a servitude: but they forbade it for a time, because of scandal. For in the 66 decree, the will of the Gospel is always to be considered. Scarcely any Canons are precisely kept; and many grow out 67 of use daily, yea, even among them that do most busily defend traditions. Neither can there be sufficient care had of 68 men's consciences, except this equity be kept, that men should know that such rites are not to be observed with any opinion of necessity, and that men's consciences are not hurt, though traditions grow out of use.

The bishops might easily retain lawful obedience, if they 69 would not urge men to observe such traditions as cannot be kept with a good conscience. Now they command single 70 life; and they admit none, except they will swear not to teach the pure doctrine of the Gospel. The Churches do not desire 71 of the bishops, that they would repair peace and concord with the loss of their honor (which yet good pastors ought to do): they only desire that they would remit unjust burdens, which 72 are both new, and received contrary to the custom of the Catholic [Christian Universal] Church. It may well be, that 73 some constitutions had some probable reasons, when they began, which yet will not agree to latter times. It is evident 74 that some were received through error. Wherefore it were a matter for the pontifical gentleness to mitigate them now; for such a change would not overthrow the unity of the Church. For many human traditions have been changed in time, as the Canons themselves declare. But if it cannot be 75 obtained, that those observances may be relaxed, which cannot be kept without sin, then must we follow the Apostles' rule, which willetteth "to obey God rather than men:" Acts 5: 29. Peter forbiddeth bishops to be lords, and to be im- 76 perious over the Churches: 1 Pet. 5: 3. Now our meaning 77 is not to have rule taken from the bishops: but this one thing only is requested at their hands, that they would suffer the Gospel to be purely taught, and that they would relax a few observances, which cannot be held without sin. But if they will remit none, let them look how they will give ac-

count to God for this, that by their obstinacy they afford cause of schism.

CONCLUSION.

These are the principal articles which seem to be matters 1 of controversy. For although we might speak of more abuses, yet that we may avoid undue length, we have embraced a few, whereby it is easy to judge of the others. Great have been 2 the complaints about indulgences, about pilgrimages, about the abuse of excommunication. The Parishes have been vexed in manifold ways by the stationarii. Endless contentions have arisen between the pastors and the monks about parochial law, about confession, about burials, about sermons on extraordinary occasions, and about other things without number. Things of this sort we pass over, that those which 3 are chief in this matter being briefly set forth may more easily be noted. Nor has anything been here said or adduced for 4 the purpose of casting reproach on any one. Those things 5 also have been enumerated, which it seemed necessary to say, that it might be understood, that in doctrine and ceremonials among us there is nothing received contrary to Scripture or to the Catholic [Universal Christian] Church, inasmuch as it is manifest that we have diligently taken heed that no new and godless doctrines should creep into our Churches.

In accordance with the Edict of His Imperial Majesty, we 6 wish to present these articles above written, in which is our Confession, and in which is seen a summary of the doctrine of those who teach among us. If anything be lacking in this 7 Confession, we are prepared, God willing, to present ampler information, in accordance with the Scriptures.

Your Imperial Majesty's
most faithful and humble,

JOHN, Duke of Saxony, Elector.

GEORGE, Margrave of Brandenburg.

ERNEST, Duke of Luneburg.

PHILIP, Landgrave of Hesse.

JOHN FREDERICK, Duke of Saxony.

FRANCIS, Duke of Luneburg.

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THE SMALL CATECHISM

OF

DR. MARTIN LUTHER.

PREFACE OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER.

Martin Luther to all faithful and godly pastors and preachers, Grace, Mercy and Peace, in Jesus Christ, our Lord!

THE deplorable condition in which I found religious affairs during a recent visitation of the congregations, has impelled me to publish this Catechism, or statement of the Christian doctrine, after having prepared it in very brief and simple terms. Alas! what misery I beheld! The people, especially those who live in the villages, seem to have no knowledge whatever of Christian doctrine, and many of the pastors are ignorant and incompetent teachers. And, nevertheless, they all maintain that they are Christians, that they have been baptized, and that they have received the Lord's Supper. Yet they cannot recite the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, or the Ten Commandments; they live as if they were irrational creatures, and now that the Gospel has come to them, they grossly abuse their Christian liberty.

Ye bishops! what answer will ye give to Christ for having so shamefully neglected the people, and paid no attention to the duties of your office? I invoke no evil on your heads. But you withhold the cup in the Lord's Supper, insist on the observance of your human laws, and yet, at the same time, do not take the least interest in teaching the people the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, the Ten Commandments, or any other part of the word of God. Woe unto you!

Wherefore I beseech you in the name of God, my beloved brethren, who are pastors or preachers, to engage heartily in the discharge of the duties of your office, to have mercy on the people who are entrusted to your care, and to assist us in introducing the Catechism among them, and especially among the young. And if any of you do not possess the necessary qualifica-

tions, I beseech you to take at least the following forms, and read them, word for word, to the people, on this wise:—

In the first place; let the preacher take the utmost care to avoid all changes or variations in the text and wording of the Ten Commandments, the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, the Sacraments, etc. Let him, on the contrary, take each of the forms respectively, adhere to it, and repeat it anew, year after year. For young and inexperienced people cannot be successfully instructed, unless we adhere to the same text or the same forms of expression. They easily become confused, when the teacher at one time employs a certain form of words and expressions, and, at another, apparently with a view to make improvements, adopts a different form. The result of such a course will be, that all the time and labor which we have expended, will be lost.

This point was well understood by our venerable fathers, who were accustomed to use the same words in teaching the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments. We, too, should follow this plan when we teach these things, particularly in the case of the young and ignorant, not changing a single syllable, nor introducing any variations when, year after year, we recur to these forms and recite them anew before our hearers.

Choose, therefore, the form of words which best pleases you, and adhere to it perpetually. When you preach in the presence of intelligent and learned men, you are at liberty to exhibit your knowledge and skill, and may present and discuss these subjects in all the varied modes which are at your command. But when you are teaching the young, retain the same form and manner without change; teach them, first of all, the Ten Commandments, the Creed, the Lord's Prayer, etc., always presenting the same words of the text, so that those who learn can repeat them after you, and retain them in the memory.

But if any refuse to receive your instructions, tell them plainly that they deny Christ and are not Christians; such persons shall not be admitted to the Lord's Table, nor present a child for Baptism, nor enjoy any of our Christian privileges, but are to be sent back to the pope and his agents, and, indeed, to Satan himself. Their parents and employers should, besides, refuse to furnish them with food and drink, and notify them that the government was disposed to banish from the country all persons of such a rude and intractable character.

For although we cannot, and should not, compel them to exercise faith, we ought, nevertheless, to instruct the great mass with all diligence, so that they may know how to distinguish

between right and wrong in their conduct towards those with whom they live, or among whom they desire to earn their living. For whoever desires to reside in a city, and enjoy the rights and privileges which its laws confer, is also bound to know and obey those laws. God grant that such persons may become sincere believers! But if they remain dishonest and vicious, let them at least withhold from public view the vices of their hearts.

In the second place; when those whom you are instructing, have become familiar with the words of the text, it is time to teach them to understand the meaning of those words, so that they may become acquainted with the object and purport of the lesson. Then proceed to another of the following forms, or, at your pleasure, choose any other which is brief, and adhere strictly to the same words and forms of expression in the text, without altering a single syllable; besides, allow yourself ample time for the lessons. For it is not necessary that you should, on the same occasion, proceed from the beginning to the end of the several parts; it will be more profitable if you present them separately, in regular succession. When the people have, for instance, at length correctly understood the First Commandment, you may proceed to the Second, and so continue. By neglecting to observe this mode, the people will be overburdened, and be prevented from understanding and retaining in memory any considerable part of the matter communicated to them.

In the third place; when you have thus reached the end of this short Catechism, begin anew with the Large Catechism, and by means of it furnish the people with fuller and more comprehensive explanations. Explain here at large every Commandment, every Petition, and, indeed, every part, showing the duties which they severally impose, and, both the advantages which follow the performance of those duties, and also the dangers and losses which result from the neglect of them. Insist in an especial manner on such Commandments or other parts as seem to be most of all misunderstood or neglected by your people. It will, for example, be necessary that you should enforce with the utmost earnestness, the Seventh Commandment, which treats of Stealing, when you are teaching workmen, dealers, and even farmers and servants, inasmuch as many of these are guilty of various dishonest and thievish practices. So, too, it will be your duty to explain and apply the Fourth Commandment with great diligence, when you are teaching children and uneducated adults, and to urge them to observe order, to be faithful, obedient and peaceable, as well as to adduce numerous instances mentioned

in the Scriptures, which show that God punished such as were guilty in these things, and blessed the obedient.

Here, too, let it be your great aim to urge magistrates and parents to rule wisely, and to educate the children, admonishing them, at the same time, that such duties are imposed on them, and showing them how grievously they sin if they neglect them. For in such a case they overthrow and lay waste alike the kingdom of God and the kingdom of the world, acting as if they were the worst enemies both of God and of men. And show them very plainly the shocking evils of which they are the authors, when they refuse their aid in training up children to be pastors, preachers, writers, etc., and set forth that on account of such sins God will inflict an awful punishment upon them. It is, indeed, necessary to preach on these things; for parents and magistrates are guilty of sins in this respect, which are so great that there are no terms in which they can be described. And truly, Satan has a cruel design in fostering these evils.

Finally; inasmuch as the people are now relieved from the tyranny of the pope, they refuse to come to the Lord's Table, and treat it with contempt. On this point also, it is very necessary that you should give them instructions, while, at the same time, you are to be guided by the following principles: That we are to compel no one to believe, or to receive the Lord's Supper; that we are not to establish any laws on this point, or appoint the time and place; but that we should so preach as to influence the people, without any law adopted by us, to urge, and, as it were, to compel us who are pastors, to administer the Lord's Supper to them. Now this object may be attained, if we address them in the following manner: It is to be feared that he who does not desire to receive the Lord's Supper at least once, or four times, during the year, despises the Sacrament, and is no Christian. So, too, he is no Christian, who neither believes nor obeys the Gospel; for Christ did not say: "Do this, or despise this," but, "This do ye, as oft as ye drink it, etc." He commands that this should be done, and by no means be neglected and despised. He says: "This do."

Now he who does not highly value the Sacrament, shows thereby that he has no sin, no flesh, no devil, no world, no death, no danger, no hell; that is to say, he does not believe that such evils exist, although he may be deeply immersed in them, and completely belong to the devil. On the other hand, he needs no grace, no life, no Paradise, no heaven, no Christ, no God, no good thing. For if he believed that he was involved in such

evils, and that he was in need of such blessings: he could not refrain from receiving the Sacrament, wherein aid is afforded against such evils, and, again, such blessings are bestowed. It will not be necessary to compel him by the force of any law to approach the Lord's Table; he will hasten to it of his own accord, will compel himself to come, and indeed urge you to administer the Sacrament to him.

Hence, you are by no means to adopt any compulsory law in this case, as the pope has done. Let it simply be your aim to set forth distinctly the advantages and losses, the wants and the benefits, the dangers and the blessings, which are to be considered in connection with the Sacrament; the people will, doubtless, then seek it without urgent demands on your part. If they still refuse to come forward, let them choose their own ways, and tell them that those who do not regard their own spiritual misery, and do not desire the gracious help of God, belong to Satan. But if you do not give such solemn admonitions, or if you adopt odious compulsory laws on the subject, it is your own fault, if the people treat the Sacrament with contempt. Will they not necessarily be slothful, if you are silent, and sleep? Therefore consider the subject seriously, ye Pastors and Preachers! Our office has now assumed a very different character from that which it bore under the pope; it is now of a very grave nature, and is very salutary in its influence. It consequently subjects us to far greater burdens and labors, dangers and temptations, whilst it brings with it an inconsiderable reward, and very little gratitude in the world. But Christ himself will be our reward, if we labor with fidelity. May He grant such mercy unto us, who is the Father of all grace, to whom be given thanks and praises through Christ, our Lord, for ever! Amen.

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LUTHER'S SMALL CATECHISM.

PART I.

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS.

In the plain form in which they are to be taught by the Head of a family.

The First Commandment.

I am the Lord thy God. Thou shalt have no other gods before me.

[Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth; thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me; and shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments.]

What is meant by this Commandment?

Answer. We should fear, love, and trust in God above all things.

The Second Commandment.

Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain; for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain.

What is meant by this Commandment?

Answer. We should so fear and love God as not to curse, swear, conjure, lie, or deceive, by his name, but call upon him in every time of need, and worship him with prayer, praise, and thanksgiving.

The Third Commandment.

*Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy.

[Six days shalt thou labor, and do all thy work; but the seventh day is the sabbath of the Lord thy God: in it thou shalt

not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates: for in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day; wherefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it.]

What is meant by this Commandment?

Answer. We should so fear and love God as not to despise his word and the preaching of the gospel, but deem it holy, and willingly hear and learn it.

The Fourth Commandment.

Honor thy father and thy mother, that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.

What is meant by this Commandment?

Answer. We should so fear and love God, as not to despise nor displease our parents and superiors, but honor, serve, obey, love, and esteem them.

The Fifth Commandment.

Thou shalt not kill.

What is meant by this Commandment?

Answer. We should so fear and love God as not to do our neighbor any bodily harm or injury, but rather assist and comfort him in danger and want.

The Sixth Commandment.

Thou shalt not commit adultery.

What is meant by this Commandment?

Answer. We should so fear and love God, as to be chaste and pure in our words and deeds, each one also loving and honoring his wife or her husband.

The Seventh Commandment.

Thou shalt not steal.

What is meant by this Commandment?

Answer. We should so fear and love God, as not to rob our neighbor of his money or property, nor bring it into our possession by unfair dealing or fraudulent means, but rather assist him to improve and protect it.

The Eighth Commandment.

Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.

What is meant by this Commandment?

Answer. We should so fear and love God as not deceitfully to belie, betray, slander, nor raise injurious reports against our neighbor, but apologize for him, speak well of him, and put the most charitable construction on all his actions.

The Ninth Commandment.

Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's house.

What is meant by this Commandment?

Answer. We should so fear and love God as not to desire by craftiness to gain possession of our neighbor's inheritance or home, or to obtain it under the pretext of a legal right, but be ready to assist and serve him in the preservation of his own.

The Tenth Commandment.

Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is thy neighbor's.

What is meant by this Commandment?

Answer. We should so fear and love God as not to alienate our neighbor's wife from him, entice away his servants, nor let loose his cattle, but use our endeavors that they may remain and discharge their duty to him.

What does God declare concerning all these Commandments?

Answer. He says: I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me: and shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments?

What is meant by this declaration?

Answer. God threatens to punish all those who transgress these commandments. We should, therefore, dread his displeasure, and not act contrarily to these commandments. But he promises grace and every blessing to all who keep them. We should, therefore, love and trust in him, and cheerfully do what he has commanded us.

PART II.

THE C R E E D.

In the plain form in which it is to be taught by the Head of a family.

The First Article.

Of Creation.

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

What is meant by this Article ?

Answer. I believe that God has created me and all that exists ; that he has given and still preserves to me my body and soul with all my limbs and senses, my reason and all the faculties of my mind, together with my raiment, food, home, and family, and all my property ; that he daily provides me abundantly with all the necessaries of life, protects me from all danger, and preserves me and guards me against all evil ; all which he does out of pure, paternal, and divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me ; for all which I am in duty bound to thank, praise, serve, and obey him. This is most certainly true.

The Second Article.

Of Redemption.

And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord ; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary ; suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried ; He descended into hell ; the third day He rose again from the dead ; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right-hand of God the Father Almighty ; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

What is meant by this Article ?

Answer. I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord ; who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned creature, secured and delivered me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil, not with silver and gold, but with his holy and precious blood, and with his innocent sufferings and death ; in order that I might be his, live under him in his kingdom, and serve him in everlasting righteousness, innocence

and blessedness; even as he is risen from the dead, and lives and reigns to all eternity. This is most certainly true.

The Third Article.

Of Sanctification.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Christian Church, the Communion of Saints; the Forgiveness of sins; the Resurrection of the body; and the Life everlasting. Amen.

What is meant by this Article?

Answer. I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ my Lord, or come to him; but the Holy Ghost has called me through the gospel, enlightened me by his gifts, and sanctified and preserved me in the true faith; in like manner as he calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian Church on earth, and preserves it in union with Jesus Christ in the true faith; in which Christian Church he daily forgives abundantly all my sins, and the sins of all believers, and will raise up me and all the dead at the last day, and will grant everlasting life to me and to all who believe in Christ. This is most certainly true.

PART III.

THE LORD'S PRAYER.

In the plain form in which it is to be taught by the Head of a family.

The Introduction.

Our Father who art in heaven.

What is meant by this Introduction?

Answer. God would thereby affectionately encourage us to believe that he is truly our Father, and that we are his children indeed, so that we may call upon him with all cheerfulness and confidence, even as beloved children entreat their affectionate parent.

The First Petition.

Hallowed be thy name.

What is meant by this Petition ?

Answer. The name of God is indeed holy in itself; but we pray in this petition that it may be hallowed also by us.

How is this effected ?

Answer. When the word of God is taught in its truth and purity, and we, as the children of God, lead holy lives, in accordance with it; to this may our blessed Father in heaven help us! But whoever teaches and lives otherwise than as God's word prescribes, profanes the name of God among us; from this preserve us, Heavenly Father!

The Second Petition.

Thy kingdom come.

What is meant by this Petition ?

Answer. The kingdom of God comes indeed of itself, without our prayer; but we pray in this petition that it may come unto us also.

When is this effected ?

Answer. When our heavenly Father gives us his Holy Spirit, so that by his grace we believe his holy word, and live a godly life here on earth, and in heaven for ever.

The Third Petition.

Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.

What is meant by this Petition ?

Answer. The good and gracious will of God is done indeed without our prayer; but we pray in this petition that it may be done by us also.

When is this effected ?

Answer. When God frustrates and brings to nought every evil counsel and purpose, which would hinder us from hallowing the name of God, and prevent his kingdom from coming to us, such as the will of the devil, of the world, and of our own flesh; and when he strengthens us, and keeps us steadfast in his word and in the faith, even unto our end. This is his gracious and good will.

The Fourth Petition.

Give us this day our daily bread.

What is meant by this Petition ?

Answer. God gives indeed without our prayer even to the wicked also their daily bread; but we pray in this petition that

he would make us sensible of his benefits, and enable us to receive our daily bread with thanksgiving.

What is implied in the words: "our daily bread"?

Answer. All things that pertain to the wants and the support of this present life; such as food, raiment, money, goods, house and land, and other property; a believing spouse and good children; trustworthy servants and faithful magistrates; favorable seasons, peace and health; education and honor; true friends, good neighbors, and the like.

The Fifth Petition.

And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

What is meant by this Petition?

Answer. We pray in this petition, that our heavenly Father would not regard our sins, nor deny us our requests on account of them; for we are not worthy of any thing for which we pray, and have not merited it; but that he would grant us all things through grace, although we daily commit much sin, and deserve chastisement alone. We will therefore, on our part, both heartily forgive, and also readily do good to those who may injure or offend us.

The Sixth Petition.

And lead us not into temptation.

What is meant by this Petition?

Answer. God indeed tempts no one to sin; but we pray in this petition that God would so guard and preserve us, that the devil, the world, and our own flesh, may not deceive us, nor lead us into error and unbelief, despair, and other great and shameful sins; and that, though we may be thus tempted, we may nevertheless finally prevail and gain the victory.

The Seventh Petition.

But deliver us from evil.

What is meant by this Petition?

Answer. We pray in this petition, as in a summary, that our heavenly Father would deliver us from all manner of evil, whether it affect the body or soul, property or character, and, at last, when the hour of death shall arrive, grant us a happy end, and graciously take us from this world of sorrow to himself in heaven.

The Conclusion.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

What is meant by the word "Amen"?

Answer. That I should be assured that such petitions are acceptable to our heavenly Father, and are heard by him; for he himself has commanded us to pray in this manner, and has promised that he will hear us. Amen, Amen, that is, Yea, yea, it shall be so.

PART IV.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM.

In the plain form in which it is to be taught by the Head of a family.

I. *What is Baptism?*

Answer. Baptism is not simply water, but it is the water comprehended in God's command, and connected with God's word

What is that word of God?

Answer. It is that which our Lord Jesus Christ spake, as it is recorded in the last chapter of Matthew, verse 19: "Go ye, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost."

II. *What gifts or benefits does Baptism confer?*

Answer. It worketh forgiveness of sins, delivers from death and the devil, and confers everlasting salvation on all who believe, as the word and promise of God declare.

What are such words and promises of God?

Answer. Those which our Lord Jesus Christ spake, as they are recorded in the last chapter of Mark, verse 16: "He that believeth and is baptized, shall be saved; but he that believeth not, shall be damned."

III. *How can water produce such great effects?*

Answer. It is not the water indeed that produces these effects, but the word of God which accompanies and is connected with the water, and our faith, which relies on the word of God connected with the water. For the water, without the word of God, is simply water and no baptism. But when connected with the

word of God, it is a baptism, that is, a gracious water of life and a "washing of regeneration" in the Holy Ghost; as St. Paul says to Titus, in the third chapter, ver. 5-8: "According to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost; which he shed on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Saviour; that being justified by his grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life. This is a faithful saying."

IV. What does such baptizing with water signify?

Answer. It signifies that the old Adam in us is to be drowned and destroyed by daily sorrow and repentance, together with all sins and evil lusts; and that again the new man should daily come forth and rise, that shall live in the presence of God in righteousness and purity for ever.

Where is it so written?

Answer. St. Paul, in the Epistle to the Romans, chapter 6, verse 4, says: "We are buried with Christ by baptism into death; that like as he was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life."

OF CONFESSION.

What is Confession?

Answer. Confession consists of two parts: the one is, that we confess our sins; the other, that we receive absolution or forgiveness through the pastor as of God himself, in no wise doubting, but firmly believing that our sins are thus forgiven before God in heaven.

What sins ought we to confess?

Answer. In the presence of God we should acknowledge ourselves guilty of all manner of sins, even of those which we do not ourselves perceive; as we do in the Lord's Prayer. But in the presence of the pastor we should confess those sins alone, of which we have knowledge, and which we feel in our hearts.

Which are these?

Answer. Here reflect in your condition, according to the Ten Commandments, namely: Whether you are a father or mother, a son or daughter, a master or mistress, a manservant or maid-servant—whether you have been disobedient, unfaithful, slothful—whether you have injured any one by words or actions—whether you have stolen, neglected, or wasted aught, or done other evil

PART V.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR,

OR,

THE LORD'S SUPPER.

*In the plain form in which it is to be taught by the Head of a family.
What is the Sacrament of the Altar?*

Answer. It is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, under the bread and wine, given unto us Christians to eat and to drink, as it was instituted by Christ himself.

Where is it so written?

Answer. The holy Evangelists, Matthew, Mark, and Luke, together with St. Paul, write thus:

“Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which he was betrayed, took bread: and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to the disciples, and said, Take, eat; this is my body, which is given for you: this do, in remembrance of me.

“After the same manner also he took the cup, when he had supped, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of it: this cup is the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you, for the remission of sins: this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me.”

What benefits are derived from such eating and drinking?

Answer. They are pointed out in these words: “given, and shed for you, for the remission of sins.” Namely, through these words, the remission of sins, life and salvation are granted unto us in the Sacrament. For where there is remission of sins, there are also life and salvation.

How can the bodily eating and drinking produce such great effects?

Answer. The eating and the drinking, indeed, do not produce them, but the words which stand here, namely: “given, and shed for you, for the remission of sins.” These words are, besides the bodily eating and drinking, the chief things in the Sacrament: and he who believes these words, has that which they declare and set forth, namely, the remission of sins.

Who is it, then, that receives this Sacrament worthily?

Answer. Fasting and bodily preparation are indeed a good external discipline; but he is truly worthy and well prepared, who believes these words: "given, and shed for you, for the remission of sins." But he who does not believe these words, or who doubts, is unworthy and unfit; for the words: "For You," require truly believing hearts.

MORNING AND EVENING PRAYER.

And Prayer before and after Meat.

In the form in which they are to be taught by the Head of a family.

¶ [The following Order of Morning and Evening Prayer may also be used as an Order of Family Prayer, the Head of the family saying the opening Sentence and the closing Prayer, and all the members together saying the Apostles' Creed and the Lord's Prayer. A Hymn may be sung before the Creed.]

Morning Prayer.

¶ *In the Morning, when thou risest, thou shalt say:*

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

¶ *Then, kneeling or standing, thou shalt say the Apostles' Creed and the Lord's Prayer, as here followeth:*

The Apostles' Creed.

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body; And the Life everlasting. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer.

Our Father who art in Heaven; Hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven;

Give us this day our daily bread ; And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us ; And lead us not into temptation ; But deliver us from evil ; For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

¶ Then shalt thou say this Prayer :

I GIVE thanks unto Thee, Heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ Thy dear Son, that Thou hast protected me through the night from all danger and harm ; and I beseech Thee to preserve and keep me, this day also, from all sin and evil ; that in all my thoughts, words, and deeds, I may serve and please Thee. Into Thy hands I commend my body and soul, and all that is mine. Let Thy holy angel have charge concerning me, that the wicked one have no power over me. Amen.

Evening Prayer.

¶ In the Evening, when thou goest to bed, thou shalt say :

IN the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

¶ Then, kneeling or standing, thou shalt say the Apostles' Creed and the Lord's Prayer.

¶ Then shalt thou say this Prayer

I GIVE thanks unto Thee, Heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ Thy dear Son, that Thou hast this day so graciously protected me, and I beseech Thee to forgive me all my sins, and the wrong which I have done, and by Thy great mercy defend me from all the perils and dangers of this night. Into thy hands I commend my body and soul, and all that is mine. Let Thy holy angel have charge concerning me, that the wicked one have no power over me. Amen.

Grace before Meat.

¶ Before meat, the members of the family standing at the table reverently and with folded hands, there shall be said :

THE eyes of all wait upon Thee, O Lord : and Thou givest them their meat in due season. Thou openest Thine hand, and satisfiest the desire of every living thing.

¶ Then shall be said the Lord's Prayer, and after that this Prayer :

O LORD God, Heavenly Father, bless unto us these Thy gifts, which of Thy tender kindness Thou hast bestowed upon us, through Jesus Christ our Lord Amen.

Thanks after Meat.

¶ After meat, all standing reverently and with folded hands, there shall be said.

O GIVE thanks unto the Lord, for He is good: for His mercy endureth for ever. He giveth food to all flesh: He giveth to the beast his food, and to the young ravens which cry. The Lord taketh pleasure in them that fear Him: in those that hope in His mercy.

¶ Then shall be said the Lord's Prayer, and after that this Prayer.

WE give thanks to Thee, O God our Father, for all Thy benefits, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Who with Thee liveth and reigneth, for ever and ever. Amen.

TABLE OF DUTIES.

Or, certain passages of the Scriptures, selected for various orders and conditions of men, wherein their respective duties are set forth.

Bishops, Pastors, and Preachers

A bishop must be blameless, the husband of one wife, vigilant, sober, of good behavior, given to hospitality, apt to teach; not given to wine, no striker, not greedy of filthy lucre; but patient, not a brawler, not covetous; one that ruleth well his own house, having his children in subjection with all gravity; not a novice, but holding fast the faithful word as he hath been taught, that he may be able by sound doctrine both to exhort and to convince the gainsayers. 1 Tim. 3: 2-6; Tit. 1: 9.

Magistrates.

Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God; for rulers are not a terror to good works, but to the evil. Wilt thou then not be afraid of the power? do that which is good, and thou shalt have praise of the same; for he is the minister of God to thee for good. But if thou do that which is evil, be afraid; for he beareth not the sword in vain: for he is the minister of God, a revenger to execute wrath upon him that doeth evil. Rom. 13: 1-4.

Husbands.

Ye husbands, dwell with your wives according to knowledge, giving honor unto the wife, as unto the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life; that your prayers be not hindered. 1 Pet. 3: 7. And be not bitter against them. Col. 3: 19.

Wives.

Wives, submit yourselves unto your husbands, as unto the Lord.—Even as Sarah obeyed Abraham, calling him lord: whose daughters ye are, as long as ye do well, and are not afraid with any amazement. *Eph. 5: 22; 1 Pet. 3: 6*

Parents.

Ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. *Eph. 6: 4.*

Children.

Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right. Honor thy father and mother; which is the first commandment with promise; that it may be well with thee, and thou mayest live long on the earth. *Eph. 6: 1-3.*

Male and Female Servants, and Laborers.

Servants, be obedient to them that are your masters according to the flesh, with fear and trembling, in singleness of your heart, as unto Christ; not with eyeservice, as menpleasers; but as the servants of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart; with good will doing service, as to the Lord, and not to men; knowing that whatsoever good thing any man doeth, the same shall he receive of the Lord, whether he be bond or free. *Eph. 6: 5-8.*

Masters and Mistresses.

Ye masters, do the same things unto them, forbearing threatening: knowing that your Master also is in heaven; neither is there respect of persons with him. *Eph. 6: 9.*

Young Persons, in general.

Likewise, ye younger, submit yourselves unto the elder. Yea, all of you be subject one to another, and be clothed with humility: for God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the humble. Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time. *1 Pet. 5: 5, 6.*

Widows.

She that is a widow indeed, and desolate, trusteth in God, and continueth in supplications and prayers night and day; but she that liveth in pleasure is dead while she liveth. *1 Tim. 5: 5, 6.*

Christians, in general.

Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. Herein are comprehended all the commandments. *Rom. 13: 9, 10.* And persevere in prayer for all men. *1 Tim. 2: 1, 2.*

When all the members of a household faithfully discharge their respective duties it will prosper and be happy.

HYMNS

CANTICLES AND PSALMS.

- ¶ *The Canticles and Psalms are arranged in Alphabetical Order.*
- ¶ *The longer Psalms are divided, so that one or more parts may be sung.*
- ¶ *The Canticles may be sung at the place of the Gloria in Excelsis (if there be no Communion), or of the Magnificat, the Minister announcing the first words.*
- ¶ *The Psalms may be sung after the Epistle in the Morning Service, or between the Lessons in the Evening Service.*
- ¶ *Any alteration of the text of a Hymn is indicated by an "a" after the name of the Author.*

CANTICLES.

1. *Benedictus. Luke i.*

BLESSED be the Lord God of Israel: for he hath visited and redeemed his people.

And hath raised up a horn of salvation for us: in the house of his servant David:

As he spake by the mouth of his holy prophets: which have been since the world began:

That we should be saved from our enemies: and from the hand of all that hate us:

To perform the mercy promised to our fathers: and to remember his holy covenant:

The oath which he sware to our father Abraham: that he would grant unto us:

That we, being delivered out of the hand of our enemies: might serve him without fear,

In holiness and righteousness before him: all the days of our life.

And thou, child, shalt be called the prophet of the Highest: for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord to prepare his ways:

To give knowledge of salvation unto his people: by the remission of their sins,

Through the tender mercy of our God: whereby the dayspring from on high hath visited us,

To give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death: to guide our feet into the way of peace.

GLORY BE TO THE FATHER.

2. *Benedicite.*

O ALL ye works of the Lord, bless ye the Lord: praise him and magnify him for ever.

O ye Angels of the Lord, bless ye the Lord: praise him and magnify him for ever.

O ye Heavens, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O all ye Powers of the Lord, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O let the Earth bless the Lord: yea, let it praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Children of Men, bless ye the Lord; praise him, and magnify him, for ever.

O let Israel bless the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Priests of the Lord, bless ye the Lord: praise him and magnify him for ever.

O ye Servants of the Lord, bless ye the Lord: praise him and magnify him for ever.

O ye Spirits and Souls of the righteous, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Holy and Humble Men of heart, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.

We bless the Father and the Son and the Holy Ghost: we praise Him and magnify Him for ever.

3. *Te Deum Laudamus.*

Minister.

WE PRAISE THEE, O GOD, WE ACKNOWLEDGE THEE TO BE THE LORD.

People.

We praise Thee, O God: we acknowledge Thee to be the Lord.

All the earth doth worship thee: the Father everlasting.

To thee all angels cry aloud: the heavens, and all the powers therein.

To thee Cherubim and Seraphim: continually do cry,

Holy, Holy, Holy: Lord God of Sabaoth;

Heaven and earth are full of the majesty: of thy glory.

The glorious company of the Apostles: praise thee.

The goodly fellowship of the Prophets: praise thee.

The noble army of Martyrs: praise thee.

The holy Church throughout all the world: doth acknowledge thee;

The Father: of an infinite Majesty;

Thine adorable, true: and only Son:

Also the Holy Ghost: the Comforter.

Thou art the King of Glory: O Christ.

Thou art the everlasting Son: of the Father.

When thou tookest upon thee to deliver man: thou didst humble thyself to be born of a Virgin.

When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death: thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to all believers.

Thou sittest at the right hand of God: in the glory of the Father.

We believe that thou shalt come: to be our Judge

We therefore pray thee, help thy servants: whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood.

Make them to be numbered with thy saints: in glory everlasting.

O Lord, save thy people: and bless thine heritage.

Govern them: and lift them up for ever.

Day by day: we magnify thee.

And we worship thy Name: ever, world without end.

Vouchsafe, O Lord: to keep us this day without sin.

O Lord, have mercy upon us: have mercy upon us.

O Lord, let thy mercy be upon us: as our trust is in thee.

O Lord, in thee have I trusted: let me never be confounded. Amen.

4. *Dignus est Agnus.*

WORTHY is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom: and strength, and honor, and glory, and blessing.

Blessing, and honor, and glory, and power, be unto him that sitteth upon the throne: and unto the Lamb, for ever and ever.

Great and marvellous are thy works, Lord God Almighty: just and true are thy ways, thou King of Saints.

Who shall not fear thee, O Lord, and glorify thy name?: for thou only art holy.

Praise ye our God, all ye his servants.

And ye that fear him, both small and great.

Alleluia! for the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen.

PSALMS.

1. *Benedic Anima.* Ps. ciii.

BLESS the Lord, O my soul: and all that is within me bless his holy name.

Bless the Lord, O my soul: and forget not all his benefits:

Who forgiveth all thine iniquities: who healeth all thy diseases:

Who redeemeth thy life from destruction: who crowneth thee with loving-kindness and tender mercies.

Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things: so that thy youth is renewed like the eagle's.

The Lord executeth righteousness and judgment: for all that are oppressed.

The Lord is merciful and gracious: slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy.

He will not always chide: neither will he keep his anger for ever.

He hath not dealt with us after our sins: nor rewarded us according to our iniquities.

For as the heaven is high above the earth: so great is his mercy toward them that fear him.

As far as the east is from the west: so far hath he removed our transgressions from us.

Second Part.

Like as a father pitieth his children: so the Lord pitieth them that fear him.

For he knoweth our frame: he remembereth that we are dust.

As for man, his days are as grass: as a flower of the field, so he flourisheth.

For the wind passeth over it, and it is gone: and the place thereof shall know it no more.

But the mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting upon them that fear him: and his righteousness unto children's children;

To such as keep his covenant: and to those that remember his commandments to do them.

Third Part.

The Lord hath prepared his throne in the heavens: and his kingdom ruleth over all.

Bless the Lord, ye his angels, that excel in strength: that do his commandments, hearkening unto the voice of his word.

Bless ye the Lord, all ye his hosts: ye ministers of his, that do his pleasure.

Bless the Lord, all his works in all places of his dominion: bless the Lord, O my soul.

2. *Deus, Iudicium Tuum.* Ps. lxxii.

GIVE the king thy judgments, O God: and thy righteousness unto the king's son.

He shall judge thy people with righteousness: and thy poor with judgment.

The mountains shall bring peace to the people: and the little hills, by righteousness.

He shall judge the poor of the people: he shall save the children of the needy, and shall break in pieces the oppressor.

They shall fear thee as long as the sun and moon endure: throughout all generations.

Second Part.

He shall come down like rain upon the mown grass: as showers that water the earth.

In his days shall the righteous flourish: and abundance of peace so long as the moon endureth.

He shall have dominion also from sea to sea: and from the river unto the ends of the earth.

They that dwell in the wilderness shall bow before him: and his enemies shall lick the dust.

The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall bring presents: the kings of Sheba and Seba shall offer gifts.

Yea, all kings shall fall down before him: all nations shall serve him.

For he shall deliver the needy when he crieth: the poor also, and him that hath no helper.

He shall spare the poor and needy: and shall save the souls of the needy.

He shall redeem their soul from deceit and violence: and precious shall their blood be in his sight.

And he shall live, and to him shall be given of the gold of Sheba: prayer also shall be made for him continually; and daily shall he be praised.

Third Part.

There shall be a handful of corn in the earth upon the top of the mountains: the fruit thereof shall shake like Lebanon; and they of the city shall flourish like grass of the earth.

His name shall endure for ever: his name shall be continued as long as the sun;

And men shall be blessed in him: all nations shall call him blessed.

Blessed be the Lord God, the God of Israel: who only doeth wondrous things.

And blessed be his glorious name for ever: and let the whole earth be filled with his glory. Amen, and Amen.

3. *Deus Misereatur.* Ps. lxvii.

GOD be merciful unto us, and bless us: and cause his face to shine upon us.

That thy way may be known upon earth: thy saving health among all nations.

Let the people praise thee, O God: let all the people praise thee.

O let the nations be glad and sing for joy: for thou shalt judge the people righteously, and govern the nations upon earth.

Let the people praise thee, O God: let all the people praise thee.

Then shall the earth yield her increase: and God, even our own God, shall bless us.

God shall bless us: and all the ends of the earth shall fear him.

4. *Deus Noster Refugium.* Ps. xlvi.

GOD is our refuge and strength: a very present help in trouble.

Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed: and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea;

Though the waters thereof roar and be troubled: though the mountains shake with the swelling thereof.

There is a river, the streams whereof shall make glad the city of God: the holy place of the tabernacles of the Most High.

God is in the midst of her, she shall not be moved: God shall help her, and that right early.

The heathen raged, the kingdoms were moved: he uttered his voice, the earth melted.

The Lord of hosts is with us: the God of Jacob is our refuge.

Come, behold the works of the Lord: what desolations he hath made in the earth.

He maketh wars to cease unto the end of the earth: he breaketh the bow, and cutteth the spear in sunder; he burneth the chariot in the fire.

Be still, and know that I am God: I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be exalted in the earth.

The Lord of hosts is with us: the God of Jacob is our refuge.

5. *Magnus Dominus.* Ps. xlviii.

GREAT is the Lord, and greatly to be praised: in the city of our God, in the mountain of his holiness.

Beautiful for situation, the joy of the whole earth, is mount Zion: on the sides of the north, the city of the great King. God is known in her palaces for a refuge.

For, lo, the kings were assembled: they passed by together.

They saw it, and so they marvelled: they were troubled, and hasted away.

As we have heard, so have we seen in the city of the Lord of hosts, in the city of our God: God will establish it for ever.

Second Part.

We have thought of thy loving-kindness, O God: in the midst of thy temple.

According to thy name, O God, so is thy praise unto the ends of the earth: thy right hand is full of righteousness.

Let mount Zion rejoice, let the daughters of Judah be glad: because of thy judgments.

Walk about Zion, and go round about her: tell the towers thereof.

Mark ye well her bulwarks, consider her palaces: that ye may tell it to the generation following.

For this God is our God for ever and ever: he will be our guide even unto death.

6. *Miserere Mei.* Ps. li.

HAVE mercy upon me, O God, according to thy loving-kindness: according unto the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions.

Wash me thoroughly from mine iniquity: and cleanse me from my sin.

For I acknowledge my transgressions: and my sin is ever before me.

Against thee, thee only, have I sinned, and done this evil in thy sight: that thou mightest be justified when thou speakest, and be clear when thou judgest.

Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Make me to hear joy and gladness: that the bones which thou hast broken may rejoice.

Hide thy face from my sins: and blot out all of mine iniquities.

Create in me a clean heart, O God: and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from thy presence: and take not thy Holy Spirit from me.

Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation: and uphold me with thy free spirit.

Then will I teach transgressors thy ways: and sinners shall be converted unto thee.

O Lord, open thou my lips: and my mouth shall show forth thy praise.

For thou desirest not sacrifice; else would I give it: thou delightest not in burnt-offering.

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise.

7. *Qui, habitat.* Ps. xci.

HE that dwelleth in the secret place of the Most High: shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

I will say of the Lord, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in him will I trust.

Surely he shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler: and from the noisome pestilence.

He shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shalt thou trust: his truth shall be thy shield and buckler.

Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night: nor for the arrow that fieth by day;

Nor for the pestilence that walketh in darkness: nor for the destruction that wasteth at noonday.

A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand: but it shall not come nigh thee.

Second Part.

Because thou hast made the Lord which is my refuge: even the Most High, thy habitation;

There shall no evil befall thee: neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling.

For he shall give his angels charge over thee: to keep thee in all thy ways.

They shall bear thee up in their hands: lest thou dash thy foot against a stone.

Thou shalt tread upon the lion and adder: the young lion and the dragon shalt thou trample under feet.

Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver him: I will set him on high, because he hath known my name.

He shall call upon me, and I will answer him: I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and honor him.

With long life will I satisfy him: and show him my salvation.

8. *Bonum est Confiteri.* Ps. xcii.

IT is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord: and to sing praises unto thy name, O Most High; To show forth thy loving-kindness in the morning: and thy faithfulness every night,

Upon an instrument of ten strings, and upon the lute: upon the harp with a solemn sound.

For thou, Lord, hast made me glad through thy work: I will triumph in the works of thy hands.

9. *Exaltabo Te.* Ps. cxlv.

I WILL extol thee, my God, O King: and I will bless thy name for ever and ever.

Every day will I bless thee: and I will praise thy name for ever and ever.

Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised: and his greatness is unsearchable.

One generation shall praise thy works to another: and shall declare thy mighty acts.

I will speak of the glorious honor of thy majesty: and of thy wondrous works.

And men shall speak of the might of thy terrible acts: and I will declare thy greatness.

They shall abundantly utter the memory of thy great goodness: and shall sing of thy righteousness.

Second Part.

The Lord is gracious, and full of compassion: slow to anger, and of great mercy.

The Lord is good to all: and his tender mercies are over all his works.

All thy works shall praise thee, O Lord: and thy saints shall bless thee.

They shall speak of the glory of thy kingdom: and talk of thy power;

To make known to the sons of men his mighty acts: and the glorious majesty of his kingdom.

Thy kingdom is an everlasting kingdom: and thy dominion endureth throughout all generations.

The Lord upholdeth all that fall: and raiseth up all those that be bowed down.

The eyes of all wait upon thee: and thou givest them their meat in due season.

Thou openest thine hand: and satisfiest the desire of every living thing.

Third Part.

The Lord is righteous in all his ways: and holy in all his works.

The Lord is nigh unto all them that call upon him: to all that call upon him in truth.

He will fulfil the desire of them that fear him: he also will hear their cry, and will save them.

The Lord preserveth all them that love him: but all the wicked will he destroy.

My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord: and let all flesh bless his holy name for ever and ever.

10. *Lebabi Oculos.* Ps. cxxi.

I WILL lift up mine eyes unto the hills: from whence cometh my help.

My help cometh from the Lord: which made heaven and earth.

He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: he that keepeth thee will not slumber.

Behold, he that keepeth Israel: shall neither slumber nor sleep.

The Lord is thy keeper: the Lord is thy shade upon thy right hand.

The sun shall not smite thee by day: nor the moon by night.

The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil: he shall preserve thy soul.

The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in: from this time forth, and even for ever more.

11. *Misericordias Domini.* Ps. lxxxix.

I WILL sing of the mercies of the Lord for ever: with my mouth will I make known thy faithfulness to all generations.

For I have said, Mercy shall be built up for ever: thy faithfulness shalt thou establish in the very heavens.

And the heavens shall praise thy wonders, O Lord: thy faithfulness also in the congregation of the saints.

For who in the heaven can be compared unto the Lord?: who among the sons of the mighty can be likened unto the Lord?

God is greatly to be feared in the assembly of the saints: and to be had in reverence of all them that are about him.

Second Part.

O Lord God of hosts, who is a strong Lord like unto thee?: or to thy faithfulness round about thee?

Thou rulest the raging of the sea: when the waves thereof arise, thou stillest them.

The heavens are thine, the earth also is thine: as for the world, and the fulness thereof, thou hast founded them.

Thou hast a mighty arm: strong is thy hand, and high is thy right hand.

Justice and judgment are the habitation of thy throne: mercy and truth shall go before thy face.

Blessed is the people that know the joyful sound :
they shall walk, O Lord, in the light of thy counte-
nance.

In thy name shall they rejoice all the day : and in
thy righteousness shall they be exalted.

For thou art the glory of their strength : and in
thy favor our horn shall be exalted.

For the Lord is our defence : and the Holy One of
Israel is our King.

Blessed be the Lord for evermore : Amen and
Amen.

12. *Confitebor Tibi.* Ps. cxxxviii.

I WILL praise thee with my whole heart : before
the gods will I sing praise unto thee.

I will worship toward thy holy temple, and praise
thy name for thy loving-kindness and for thy truth :
for thou hast magnified thy word above all thy name.

In the day when I cried thou answeredst me : and
strengthenedst me with strength in my soul.

All the kings of the earth shall praise thee, O
Lord : when they hear the words of thy mouth.

Yea, they shall sing in the ways of the Lord : for
great is the glory of the Lord.

Though the Lord be high, yet hath he respect unto
the lowly : but the proud he knoweth afar off.

Though I walk in the midst of trouble, thou wilt
revive me : thou shalt stretch forth thine hand
against the wrath of mine enemies, and thy right
hand shall save me.

The Lord will perfect that which concerneth me :
thy mercy, O Lord, endureth for ever ; forsake not
the works of thine own hands.

13. *Domine Refugium.* Ps. xc.

LORD, thou hast been our dwelling-place : in all
generations.

Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world: even from everlasting to everlasting, thou art God.

Thou turnest man to destruction: and sayest, Return, ye children of men.

For a thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday when it is past: and as a watch in the night.

Thou carriest them away as with a flood; they are as a sleep: in the morning they are like grass which groweth up.

In the morning it flourisheth, and groweth up: in the evening it is cut down, and withereth.

For we are consumed by thine anger: and by thy wrath are we troubled.

Thou hast set our iniquities before thee: our secret sins in the light of thy countenance.

For all our days are passed away in thy wrath: we spend our years, as a tale that is told.

The days of our years are threescore years and ten; and if by reason of strength they be fourscore years: yet is their strength labor and sorrow; for it is soon cut off, and we fly away.

Who knoweth the power of thine anger?: even according to thy fear, so is thy wrath.

So teach us to number our days: that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.

Return, O Lord, how long?: and let it repent thee concerning thy servants.

O satisfy us early with thy mercy: that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.

Make us glad according to the days wherein thou hast afflicted us: and the years wherein we have seen evil.

Let thy work appear unto thy servants: and thy glory unto their children.

And let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon

us: and establish thou the work of our hands upon us; yea, the work of our hands establish thou it.

14. *Jubilate Deo.* Ps. c.

MAKE a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands: Serve the Lord with gladness; come before his presence with singing.

Know ye that the Lord he is God; it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves: we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless his name.

For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting: and his truth endureth to all generations.

15. *Finitate Exultemus Domino.* Ps. xciv.

O COME, let us sing unto the Lord: let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving: and make a joyful noise unto him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God: and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are the deep places of the earth: the strength of the hills is his also.

The sea is his, and he made it: and his hands formed the dry land.

O come, let us worship and bow down: let us kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For he is our God: and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

16. *Confitemini Domino.* Ps. cxviii.

O GIVE thanks unto the Lord; for he is good: because his mercy endureth for ever.

Let them now that fear the Lord say: that his mercy endureth for ever.

The Lord is my strength and song: and is become my salvation.

The voice of rejoicing and salvation is in the tabernacles of the righteous: the right hand of the Lord doeth valiantly.

The right hand of the Lord is exalted: the right hand of the Lord doeth valiantly.

I shall not die, but live: and declare the works of the Lord.

The Lord hath chastened me sore: but he hath not given me over unto death.

Open to me the gates of righteousness: I will go into them, and I will praise the Lord;

This gate of the Lord: into which the righteous shall enter.

I will praise thee, for thou hast heard me: and art become my salvation.

The stone which the builders refused: is become the head stone of the corner.

This is the Lord's doing: it is marvellous in our eyes.

This is the day which the Lord hath made: we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Save now, I beseech thee, O Lord: O Lord, I beseech thee, send now prosperity.

Blessed be he that cometh in the name of the Lord: we have blessed you out of the house of the Lord.

God is the Lord, which hath showed us light: bind the sacrifice with cords, even unto the horns of the altar.

Thou art my God, and I will praise thee: thou art my God, I will exalt thee.

O give thanks unto the Lord; for he is good: for his mercy endureth for ever.

17. *Confitemini Domino in Aeternum.* Ps. cxxxvi.

O GIVE thanks unto the Lord ; for he is good : for his mercy endureth for ever.

O give thanks unto the God of gods : for his mercy endureth for ever.

O give thanks to the Lord of lords : for his mercy endureth for ever.

To him who alone doeth great wonders : for his mercy endureth for ever.

To him that by wisdom made the heavens : for his mercy endureth for ever.

To him that stretched out the earth above the waters : for his mercy endureth for ever.

To him that made great lights : for his mercy endureth for ever.

Who remembered us in our low estate : for his mercy endureth for ever.

And hath redeemed us from our enemies : for his mercy endureth for ever.

Who giveth food to all flesh : for his mercy endureth for ever.

O give thanks unto the God of heaven : for his mercy endureth for ever.

18. *Domine Dominus Noster.* Ps. viii.

O LORD our Lord, how excellent is thy name in all the earth : who hast set thy glory above the heavens.

Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings hast thou ordained strength because of thine enemies : that thou mightest still the enemy and the avenger.

When I consider thy heavens, the work of thy fingers : the moon and the stars, which thou hast ordained ;

What is man, that thou art mindful of him ? : and the son of man, that thou visitest him ?

For thou hast made him a little lower than the angels: and hast crowned him with glory and honor.

Thou madest him to have dominion over the works of thy hands: thou hast put all things under his feet.

O Lord our Lord: how excellent is thy name in all the earth!

19. *Cantate Dominō.* Ps. xcviij.

O SING unto the Lord a new song: for he hath done marvellous things.

His right hand, and his holy arm: hath gotten him the victory.

The Lord hath made known his salvation: his righteousness hath he openly showed in the sight of the heathen.

He hath remembered his mercy and his truth toward the house of Israel: all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all the earth: make a loud noise, and rejoice, and sing praise.

Sing unto the Lord with the harp: with the harp, and the voice of a psalm.

Let the floods clap their hands; let the hills be joyful together before the Lord: for he cometh to judge the earth;

With righteousness shall he judge the world: and the people with equity.

20. *De Profundis.* Ps. cxxx.

O UT of the depths have I cried: unto thee, O Lord.

Lord, hear my voice: let thine ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications.

If thou, Lord, shouldest mark iniquities: O Lord, who shall stand?

But there is forgiveness with thee: that thou mayest be feared.

I wait for the Lord, my soul doth wait: and in his word do I hope.

My soul waiteth for the Lord more than they that watch for the morning: I say, more than they that watch for the morning.

Let Israel hope in the Lord, for with the Lord there is mercy: and with him is plenteous redemption.

And he shall redeem Israel: from all his iniquities.

21. *Te deet Hymnus. Ps. lxxv.*

PRAISE waiteth for thee, O God, in Sion: and unto thee shall the vow be performed.

O thou that hearest prayer: unto thee shall all flesh come.

Blessed is the man whom thou choosest, and causest to approach unto thee, that he may dwell in thy courts: we shall be satisfied with the goodness of thy house, even of thy holy temple.

By terrible things in righteousness wilt thou answer us, O God of our salvation: who art the confidence of all the ends of the earth, and of them that are afar off upon the sea;

Which by his strength setteth fast the mountains: being girded with power:

Which stilleth the noise of the seas: the noise of their waves, and the tumult of the people.

They also that dwell in the uttermost parts are afraid at thy tokens: thou makest the out-goings of the morning and evening to rejoice.

Thou visitest the earth, and waterest it: thou preparest them corn, when thou hast so provided for it.

Thou waterest the ridges thereof abundantly: thou settlest the furrows thereof.

Thou makest it soft with showers; thou blessest the springing thereof.

Thou crownest the year with thy goodness: and thy paths drop fatness.

They drop upon the pastures of the wilderness: and the little hills rejoice on every side.

The pastures are clothed with flocks: the valleys also are covered over with corn; they shout for joy, they also sing.

22. Confitebor Tibi. Ps. cxi.

PRAISE ye the Lord. I will praise the Lord with my whole heart: in the assembly of the upright, and in the congregation.

The works of the Lord are great: sought out of all them that have pleasure therein.

His work is honorable and glorious: and his righteousness endureth for ever.

He hath made his wonderful works to be remembered: the Lord is gracious and full of compassion.

He hath given meat unto them that fear him: he will ever be mindful of his covenant.

He hath showed his people the power of his works: that he may give them the heritage of the heathen.

The works of his hands are verity and judgment: all his commandments are sure.

They stand fast for ever and ever: and are done in truth and uprightness.

He sent redemption unto his people: he hath commanded his covenant for ever; holy and reverend is his name.

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom: his praise endureth for ever.

23. *Laudate Dominum de Coelis.* Ps. cxlviii.

PRAISE ye the Lord: praise ye the Lord from the heavens: praise him in the heights.

Praise ye him, all his angels: praise ye him, all his hosts.

Praise ye him, sun and moon: praise him, all ye stars of light.

Praise him, ye heavens of heavens: and ye waters that be above the heavens.

Let them praise the name of the Lord: for he commanded, and they were created.

He hath also established them for ever and ever: he hath made a decree which shall not pass.

Praise the Lord from the earth: ye dragons and all deeps.

Fire, and hail; snow, and vapors: stormy wind fulfilling his word:

Mountains, and all hills: fruitful trees, and all cedars;

Beasts, and all cattle: creeping things, and flying fowl;

Kings of the earth, and all people: princes, and all judges of the earth;

Both young men, and maidens: old men, and children;

Let them praise the name of the Lord: for his name alone is excellent; his glory is above the earth and heaven.

He also exalteth the horn of his people, the praise of all his saints: even of the children of Israel, a people near unto him. Praise ye the Lord.

24. *Domini est Terra.* Ps. xxiv.

THE earth is the Lord's, and the fulness thereof: the world, and they that dwell therein.

For he hath founded it upon the seas: and established it upon the floods.

Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord?: and who shall stand in his holy place?

He that hath clean hands, and a pure heart: who hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully.

He shall receive the blessing from the Lord: and righteousness from the God of his salvation.

This is the generation of them that seek him: that seek thy face, O Jacob.

Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors: and the King of glory shall come in.

Who is this King of glory?: the Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle.

Lift up your heads, O ye gates; even lift them up, ye everlasting doors: and the King of glory shall come in.

Who is this King of glory?: the Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory.

25. *Cœli Enarrant.* Ps. xix.

THE heavens declare the glory of God: and the firmament sheweth his handy work.

Day unto day uttereth speech: and night unto night sheweth knowledge.

There is no speech nor language: where their voice is not heard.

Their line is gone out through all the earth: and their words to the end of the world.

Second Part.

The law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple.

The statutes of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart: the commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes.

The fear of the Lord is clean, enduring for ever: the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.

More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold: sweeter also than honey and the honey-comb.

Moreover, by them is thy servant warned: and in keeping of them there is great reward.

Third Part.

Who can understand his errors?: cleanse thou me from secret faults.

Keep back thy servant also from presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over me: then shall I be upright, and I shall be innocent from the great transgression.

Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart: be acceptable in thy sight, O Lord, my strength, and my redeemer.

26. *Dominus Regit Me.* Ps. xxiii.

THE Lord is my shepherd: I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the

days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

27. *In Conbertendo.* Ps. cxxvi.

WHEN the Lord turned again the captivity of Zion: we were like them that dream.

Then was our mouth filled with laughter: and our tongue with singing;

Then said they among the heathen: The Lord hath done great things for them.

The Lord hath done great things for us: whereof we are glad.

Turn again our captivity, O Lord: as the streams in the south.

They that sow in tears: shall reap in joy.

He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed: shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him.

H Y M N S.

PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING.

PSALM 100.

L. M.

- 1 BEFORE Jehovah's awful throne,
Ye nations, bow with sacred joy :
Know that the Lord is God alone,
He can create, and He destroy.
- 2 His sovereign power, without our aid,
Made us of clay, and formed us men ;
And when like wandering sheep we strayed,
He brought us to His fold again.
- 3 We are His people, we His care,
Our souls and all our mortal frame :
What lasting honors shall we rear,
Almighty Maker, to Thy Name ?
- 4 We'll crowd Thy gates with thankful songs,
High as the heavens our voices raise ;
And earth, with her ten thousand tongues,
Shall fill Thy courts with sounding praise.
- 5 Wide as the world is Thy command,
Vast as eternity Thy Love ;
Firm as a rock Thy truth must stand,
When rolling years shall cease to move.

Isaac Watts. 1719. a.

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PSALM 146.

L. P. M.

1 I'LL praise my Maker whilst I've breath ;
 I And when my voice is lost in death,
 Praise shall employ my nobler powers :
 My days of praise shall ne'er be past,
 While life and thought and being last,
 Or immortality endures.

2 Happy the man whose hopes rely
 On Israel's God, who made the sky,
 And earth, and seas, with all their train ;
 His truth for ever stands secure ;
 He saves the opprest, He feeds the poor ;
 And none shall find His promise vain.

3 The Lord gives eyesight to the blind ;
 The Lord supports the sinking mind ;
 He sends the laboring conscience peace ;
 He helps the stranger in distress,
 The widow and the fatherless,
 And grants the prisoner sweet release.

4 I'll praise Him while He lends me breath ;
 And when my voice is lost in death,
 Praise shall employ my nobler powers :
 My days of praise shall ne'er be past,
 While life and thought and being last,
 Or immortality endures.

Watts. 1719. a.

3

PSALM 95.

S. M.

1 COME, sound His praise abroad,
 And hymns of glory sing !
 Jehovah is the sovereign God,
 The universal King.

2 He formed the deeps unknown ;
 He gave the seas their bound ;
 The watery worlds are all His own,
 And all the solid ground.

3 Come, worship at His throne;
 Come, bow before the Lord.
 We are His work, and not our own
 He formed us by His word.

4 To-day attend His voice,
 Nor dare provoke His rod;
 Come, like the people of His choice,
 And own your gracious God.

Watts. 1719.

4

PSALM 147.

L. M.

1 PRAISE ye the Lord: 'tis good to raise
 Our hearts and voices in His praise:
 His nature and His works invite
 To make this duty our delight.

2 The Lord builds up Jerusalem,
 And gathers nations to His Name:
 His mercy melts the stubborn soul,
 And makes the broken spirit whole.

3 Great is our Lord, and great His might,
 And all His glories infinite;
 He crowns the meek, rewards the just,
 And treads the wicked to the dust.

4 His saints are lovely in His sight;
 He views His children with delight;
 He sees their hope, He knows their fear,
 And finds and loves His image there.

Watts. 1719. a.

5

PSALM 145.

C. M.

1 LONG as I live, I'll bless Thy Name,
 L God of eternal love!
 My work and joy shall be the same,
 In the bright world above.

2 Great is the Lord, His power unknown,
And let His praise be great:
I'll sing the honors of Thy throne,
Thy works of grace repeat.

3 Fathers to sons shall teach Thy Name,
And children learn Thy ways;
Ages to come Thy truth proclaim,
And nations sound Thy praise.

4 Thy glorious deeds of ancient date
Shall through the world be known:
Thine arm of power, Thy heavenly state,
With public splendor shown.

5 The world is managed by Thy hands,
Thy saints are ruled by love;
And Thine eternal kingdom stands,
Though rocks and hills remove. *Watts. 1719. a.*

6

PSALM 145.

L. M.

1 **M**Y God, my King, Thy various praise
Shall fill the remnant of my days:
Thy grace employ my humble tongue.
Till death and glory raise the song

2 The wings of every hour shall bear
Some thankful tribute to Thine ear;
And every setting sun shall see
New works of duty done for Thee.

3 But who can speak Thy wondrous deeds?
Thy greatness all our thoughts exceeds;
Vast and unsearchable Thy ways,
Vast and immortal be Thy praise. *Watts. 1719.*

7

Te Deum Laudamus.

L. M.

1 **T**HEE we adore, eternal Lord!
We praise Thy Name with one accord.
Thy saints, who here Thy goodness see,
Through all the world do worship Thee.

2 To Thee aloud all angels cry,
The heavens and all the powers on high:
Thee, holy, holy, holy King,
Lord God of hosts, they ever sing.

3 The apostles join the glorious throng;
The prophets swell the immortal song;
Thy martyrs' noble army raise
Eternal anthems to Thy praise.

4 From day to day, O Lord, do we
Highly exalt and honor Thee!
Thy Name we worship and adore,
World without end, for evermore!

5 Vouchsafe, O Lord, we humbly pray,
To keep us safe from sin this day;
Have mercy, Lord! we trust in Thee;
Oh, let us ne'er confounded be!

*Moravian Col. 1754.
Thomas Cotterill. 1810. a.*

8

*Gloria in Excelsis.**C. M.*

1 **T**o God be glory, peace on earth,
To all mankind good will!
We bless, we praise, we worship Thee,
And glorify Thee still:

2 And thanks for Thy great glory give,
That fills our souls with light;
O Lord, our heavenly King, the God
And Father of all might!

3 And Thou, begotten Son of God,
Before all time begun;
O Jesus Christ, Thou Lamb of God,
The Father's only Son:

4 Have mercy, Thou that tak'st the sins
Of all the world away!
Have mercy, Saviour of mankind,
And hear us when we pray!

5 O Thou, who sitt'st at God's right hand,
 Upon the Father's throne,
 Have mercy on us, Thou, O Christ,
 Who art the Holy One!

6 Thou only, with the Holy Ghost,
 Whom earth and heaven adore,
 In glory of the Father art
 Most high for evermore.

Supplement to Tate and Brady. 1703. a.

9

Allein Gott in der Höh' sey Ehr. Iambic. 8, 7.

1 **A** LL glory be to God on High,
 Who hath our race befriended !
 To us no harm shall now come nigh,
 The strife at last is ended ;
 God sheweth His good will to men,
 And peace shall reign on earth again ;
 Oh, thank Him for His goodness.

2 We praise, we worship Thee, we trust,
 And give Thee thanks for ever,
 O Father, that Thy rule is just,
 And wise, and changes never :
 Thy boundless power o'er all things reigns,
 Thou dost whate'er Thy will ordains ;
 Well for us that Thou rulest !

3 O Jesus Christ, our God and Lord,
 Son of Thy Heavenly Father,
 O Thou who hast our peace restored
 And the lost sheep dost gather,
 Thou Lamb of God, to Thee on high
 From out our depths we sinners cry,
 Have mercy on us, Jesus !

4 O Holy Ghost, Thou precious Gift,
 Thou Comforter unfailing,
 O'er Satan's snares our souls uplift,
 And let Thy power availing

Avert our woes and calm our dread :
 For us the Saviour's Blood was shed ;
 We trust in Thee to save us !

*Nicholas Decius (Von Hofe.) 1529.
 Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1862. a.*

10 *Sey Lob und Ehr dem höchsten Gut. Iambic, 8, 7.*

1 SING praise to God who reigns above,
 The God of all creation,
 The God of power, the God of love,
 The God of our salvation.

With healing balm my soul He fills,
 And every faithless murmur stills ;
 To God all praise and glory !

2 The angel host, O King of kings,
 Thy praise forever telling,
 In earth and sky all living things
 Beneath Thy shadow dwelling,
 Adore the wisdom which could span,
 And power which formed Creation's plan ;
 To God all praise and glory !

3 I cried to God in my distress,
 His mercy heard me calling ;
 My Saviour saw my helplessness,
 And kept my feet from falling ;
 For this, Lord, praise and thanks to Thee !
 Praise God Most High, praise God with me !
 To God all praise and glory !

4 Thus all my gladsome way along,
 I'll sing aloud Thy praises,
 That men may hear the grateful song
 My voice unwearied raises :
 Be joyful in the Lord, my heart !
 Both soul and body, bear your part !
 To God all praise and glory !

*John Jacob Schuetz. 1673.
 Frances Elizabeth Cox, Tr. 1864. a.*

11

Nun danket alle Gott.

6. 7.

1 NOW thank we all our God,
 With heart and hands and voices,
 Who wondrous things hath done,
 In whom His earth rejoices ;
 Who from our mother's arms
 Hath blessed us on our way
 With countless gifts of love,
 And still is ours to-day.

2 O may this bounteous God,
 Through all our life be near us,
 With ever joyful hearts,
 And blessed peace to cheer us ;
 And keep us in His grace,
 And guide us when perplexed,
 And free us from all ills,
 In this world and the next.

3 All praise and thanks to God
 The Father, now be given,
 The Son and Him who reigns
 With them in highest heaven ;
 The One eternal God,
 Whom earth and heaven adore ;
 For thus it was, is now,
 And shall be evermore !

*Martin Rinkart. 1644.
 Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1858. a*

12

7s.

1 HOLY, holy, holy Lord !
 H Be Thy glorious Name adored.
 Lord, Thy mercies never fail :
 Hail, celestial Goodness, hail !

2 Though unworthy, Lord, Thine ear,
 Deign our humble songs to hear.
 Purer praise we hope to bring,
 When around Thy throne we sing.

- 3 There no tongue shall silent be ;
All shall join in harmony ;
That through heaven's capacious round
Praise to Thee may ever sound.
- 4 Lord, Thy mercies never fail :
Hail, celestial Goodness, hail !
Holy, holy, holy Lord !
Be Thy glorious Name adored.

Benjamin Williams. 1778. a.

13

7s.

- 1 SONGS of praise the angels sang,
Heaven with hallelujahs rang,
When Jehovah's work begun,
When He spake, and it was done.
- 2 Songs of praise awoke the morn,
When the Prince of Peace was born ;
Songs of praise arose, when He
Captive led captivity.
- 3 Heaven and earth must pass away ;
Songs of praise shall crown that day :
God will make new heavens and earth ;
Songs of praise shall hail their birth.
- 4 And shall man alone be dumb,
Till that glorious kingdom come ?
No ;—the Church delights to raise
Psalms, and hymns, and songs of praise.
- 5 Saints below, with heart and voice,
Still in songs of praise rejoice ;
Learning here, by faith and love,
Songs of praise to sing above.
- 6 Borne upon their latest breath,
Songs of praise shall conquer death ;
Then, amidst eternal joy,
Songs of praise their powers employ.

James Montgomery 1812.

14

8, 7.

- 1 MIGHTY God, while angels bless Thee,
May a mortal lisp thy Name?
Lord of men, as well as angels,
Thou art every creature's theme.
- 2 Lord of every land and nation,
Ancient of eternal days!
Sounded through the wide creation
Be Thy just and lawful praise.
- 3 For the grandeur of Thy nature,
Grand beyond a seraph's thought;
For created works of power,
Works with skill and kindness wrought:
- 4 For Thy Providence, that governs
Through Thine empire's wide domain
Wings an angel, guides a sparrow:
Blessed be Thy gentle reign.
- 5 But thy rich, Thy free Redemption,
Dark through brightness all along—
Thought is poor, and poor expression:
Who dare sing that awful song!
- 6 From the highest throne in glory
To the Cross of deepest woe!
All to ransom guilty captives!
Flow, my praise, for ever flow.

Robert Robinson. 1774.

15

C. M.

- 1 WHAT shall I render to my God
For all His gifts to me?
Sing, heaven and earth, rejoice and praise
His glorious majesty.
- 2 O let me praise Thee whilst I live,
And praise Thee when I die,
And praise Thee when I rise again,
And to eternity.

3 Mysterious depths of endless love
 Our admiration raise :
 My God, Thy Name exalted is
 Far above all our praise.

John Mason. 1683.

16 *C. M.*

1 WHILE Thee I seek, protecting Power !
 Be my vain wishes stilled ;
 And may this consecrated hour
 With better hopes be filled.

2 Thy Love the powers of thought bestowed ;
 To Thee my thoughts would soar.
 Thy mercy o'er my life has flowed :
 That mercy I adore.

3 In each event of life, how clear
 Thy ruling Hand I see !
 Each blessing to my soul more dear,
 Because conferred by Thee.

4 In every joy that crowns my days,
 In every pain I bear,
 My heart shall find delight in praise,
 Or seek relief in prayer.

5 When gladness wings my favored hour,
 Thy Love my thoughts shall fill :
 Resigned, when storms of sorrow lower,
 My soul shall meet Thy will.

6 My lifted eye, without a tear,
 The gathering storm shall see ;
 My steadfast heart shall know no fear :
 That heart shall rest on Thee !

Helen Maria Williams. 1788.

17 *C. M.*

1 WHEN all Thy mercies, O my God,
 My rising soul surveys,
 Transported with the view, I'm lost
 In wonder, love, and praise.

- 2 Ten thousand thousand precious gifts
My daily thanks employ ;
Nor is the least a cheerful heart
That tastes those gifts with joy.
- 3 Through every period of my life
Thy goodness I'll pursue ;
And after death, in distant worlds,
The glorious theme renew.
- 4 When nature fails, and day and night
Divide Thy works no more,
My ever grateful heart, O Lord,
Thy mercy shall adore.
- 5 Through all eternity to thee
A joyful song I'll raise :
But oh ! eternity's too short
To utter all Thy praise.

Joseph Addison. 1712.

- 1 **G**LORY be to God on high,
God, whose glory fills the sky :
Peace on earth to man forgiven,
Man, the well-beloved of Heaven.
- 2 Sovereign Father, heavenly King,
Thee we now presume to sing ;
Glad Thine attributes confess,
Glorious all, and numberless.
- 3 Hail, by all Thy works adored !
Hail, the everlasting Lord !
Thee with thankful hearts we prove,
Lord of power, and God of love.
- 4 Christ our Lord and God we own,
Christ, the Father's only Son ;
Lamb of God, for sinners slain,
Saviour of offending man !

5 Bow Thine ear, in mercy bow,
Hear, the world's Atonement Thou !
Jesus, in Thy Name we pray,
Take, O take our sins away !

6 Hear, for Thou, O Christ, alone,
Art with Thy great Father one ;
One the Holy Ghost with Thee ;
One supreme, eternal Three.

Charles Wesley. 1739. a.

19

Cantemus Cuncti.

1 THE strain upraise of joy and praise,
Alleluia.

2 To the glory of their King
Shall the ransomed people sing, Alleluia.

3 And the choirs that dwell on high
Shall re-echo through the sky, Alleluia.

4 They through the fields of Paradise that roam,
The blessed ones, repeat through that bright home,
Alleluia.

5 The planets glittering on their heavenly way,
The shining constellations, join, and say
Alleluia.

6 Ye clouds, that onward sweep,
Ye winds, on pinions light,
Ye thunders, echoing loud and deep,
Ye lightnings, wildly bright,
In sweet consent unite your Alleluia.

7 Ye floods and ocean billows,
Ye storms and winter snow,
Ye days of cloudless beauty,
Hoar frost and summer glow,
Ye groves that wave in spring,
And glorious forests, sing Alleluia.

8 First let the birds, with painted plumage gay,
Exalt their great Creator's praise, and say
Alleluia.

9 Then let the beasts of earth with varying strain,
Join in Creation's Hymn, and cry again,
Alleluia.

10 Here let the mountains thunder forth sonorous,
Alleluia.
There let the valleys sing in gentler chorus,
Alleluia.

11 Thou jubilant abyss of ocean, cry
Alleluia.
Ye tracts of earth and continents, reply
Alleluia.

12 To God, who all creation made,
The frequent hymn be duly paid :
Alleluia.

13 This is the strain, the eternal strain, the Lord
of all things loves : Alleluia.
This is the song, the heavenly song, that Christ
Himself approves : Alleluia.

14 Wherefore we sing, both heart and voice awaking,
Alleluia.
And children's voices echo, answer making,
Alleluia.

15 Now from all men be outpoured
Alleluia to the Lord ;
With Alleluia evermore
The Son and Spirit we adore.

16 Praise be done to the Three in One.
Alleluia ! Alleluia ! Alleluia ! Alleluia !

*Godescalcus. d. ab. 950.
John Mason Neale, Tr. 1851.*

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Alleluia, dulce Carmen.

8, 7.

- 1 **A** LLÉLUIA! best and sweetest
Of the hymns of praise above!
Alleluia! thou repeatest,
Angel host, these notes of love.
 This ye utter,
 While your golden harps ye move.
- 2 Alleluia! Church victorious,
 Join the concert of the sky!
Alleluia! bright and glorious,
 Lift, ye saints, this strain on high!
 We, poor exiles,
 Join not yet your melody.
- 3 Alleluia! strains of gladness
 Suit not souls with anguish torn:
Alleluia! sounds of sadness
 Best become our state forlorn:
 Our offences
 We with bitter tears must mourn.
- 4 But our earnest supplication
 Holy God, we raise to Thee:
Visit us with Thy salvation,
 Make us all Thy joys to see!
 Alleluia!
 Ours at length this strain shall be.

John Chandler. 1837

GENERAL PETITION.

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Splendor Paternæ Gloriæ.

L. M.

- 1 **O** JESUS, Lord of heavenly grace,
Thou Brightness of Thy Father's face,
Thou Fountain of eternal light,
Whose beams dispel the shades of night!

2 Come, holy Sun of heavenly love,
Send down Thy radiance from above ;
And to our inmost hearts convey
The Holy Spirit's cloudless ray.

3 And we the Father's help will claim,
And sing the Father's glorious Name :
His powerful succor we implore,
That we may stand, to fall no more.

4 May He our actions deign to bless,
And loose the bonds of wickedness ;
From sudden falls our feet defend,
And guide us safely to the end.

5 May faith, deep-rooted in the soul,
The flesh subdue, the mind control :
May guile depart, and discord cease,
And all within be joy and peace.

6 O hallowed thus be every day !
Let meekness be our morning ray,
And faithful love our noonday light,
And hope our sunset, calm and bright.

7 O Christ, with each returning morn,
Thine image to our hearts is borne :
O may we ever clearly see
Our Saviour and our God in Thee !

Ambrose. d. 397.

John Chandler, Tr. 1837. a.

Zeige Dich uns ohne Hülle.

1 **L**ORD, remove the veil away,
Let us see Thyselv to-day !
Thou who camest from on high,
For our sins to bleed and die,
Help us now to cast aside
All that would our hearts divide ;
With the Father and the Son
Let Thy living Church be one.

2 O, from earthly cares set free,
Let us find our rest in Thee !
May our cares and conflicts cease
In the calm of Sabbath peace,
That Thy people here below
Something of the bliss may know,
Something of the rest and love
In the Sabbath home above !

3 Lord, Thy sinful child prepare
For a place and portion there !
Give my soul the spotless dress
Of Thy perfect Righteousness :
Then at length, a welcome guest,
I shall enter to the feast,
Earthly cares and sorrows o'er,
Joys to last for evermore.

*Frederick Gottlieb Klopstock. ab. 1760.
Jane Borthwick, Tr. 1862.*

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Sieh hier bin ich, Ehrenkönig.

8, 7.

1 **H**ERE behold me, as I cast me
Neath Thy throne, O glorious King !
Sorrows strangling, childlike longing,
Son of Man, to Thee I bring.
Let me find Thee !
Me, a poor and worthless thing.

2 Look upon me, Lord, I pray Thee,
Let Thy Spirit dwell in mine ;
Thou hast sought me, Thou hast bought me,
Only Thee to know I pine.
Let me find Thee !
Take my heart, and own me Thine !

3 Naught I ask for, naught I strive for,
But Thy grace so rich and free ;
That Thou givest whom Thou lovest,
And who truly cleave to Thee.

Let me find Thee!
He hath all things who hath Thee.

4 Earthly treasure, mirth and pleasure,
Glorious name, or golden hoard,
Are but weary, void and dreary,
To the heart that longs for God.

Let me find Thee!
I am Thine, O mighty Lord!

*Joachim Neander. 1678.
Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1858. a.*

24

O Christe, Morgensterne.

C. M.

1 O CHRIST, Thou bright and morning Star,
Now shed Thy light abroad:
Shine on us from Thy throne afar
With Thy pure glorious Word.

2 O Jesus, Comfort of the poor,
I lift my heart to Thee:
I know Thy mercies still endure,
And Thou wilt pity me.

3 For Thou didst suffer for my soul,
Her burdens to remove:
O make me through Thy sorrows whole,
Refresh me with Thy love.

4 Then, Jesus, glory, honor, praise,
I'll ever sing to Thee:
And Thou at last my soul wilt raise
To endless joys with Thee.

*Basil Poertzsch. 1609.
Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1858. a*

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s, 7.

1 JESUS, Lord of life and glory,
Bend from heaven Thy gracious ear,
While our waiting souls adore Thee,
Friend of helpless sinners, hear!

By Thy mercy,
O deliver us, good Lord!

- 2 Taught by Thine unerring Spirit,
Boldly we draw nigh to God,
Only in Thy spotless merit,
Only through Thy precious Blood :
By Thy mercy,
O deliver us, good Lord !
- 3 From the depth of nature's blindness,
From the hardening power of sin,
From all malice and unkindness,
From the pride that lurks within,
By Thy mercy,
O deliver us, good Lord !
- 4 When temptation sorely presses,
In the day of Satan's power,
In our times of deep distresses,
In each dark and trying hour,
By Thy mercy,
O deliver us, good Lord !
- 5 In the weary hours of sickness,
In the times of grief and pain,
When we feel our mortal weakness,
When the creature's help is vain,
By Thy mercy,
O deliver us, good Lord !
- 6 In the solemn hour of dying,
In the awful Judgment Day,
May our souls, on Thee relying,
Find Thee still our Rock and Stay
By Thy mercy,
O deliver us, good Lord.

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- 1 **H**OLY Jesus, in whose Name
Thou hast bid Thy servants claim
Of the Father's love, to grant
All the good they wish or want :
Trusting in Thy Name alone,
Draw we near Thy Father's throne.
- 2 Son of Man, to whom is given,
With the Majesty of Heaven,
Partner Thou of man's estate,
For mankind to mediate :
Hear us, when with Thee we plead
For Thy flock to intercede !
- 3 Saviour of the world, to Thee
Ever bows the Church her knee :
Thee, her only Advocate ;
Thee, exalted to Thy state,
With the Holy Ghost, most high
In the Father's majesty.

Richard Mant. 1837.

27

C. M.

- 1 **L**ORD, teach us how to pray aright,
With reverence and with fear :
Though dust and ashes in Thy sight,
We may, we must draw near.
- 2 Burdened with guilt, convinced of sin,
In weakness, want, and woe,
Fightings without and fears within,
Lord, whither shall we go ?
- 3 God of all grace, we come to Thee
With broken, contrite hearts ;
Give, what Thine eye delights to see,
Truth in the inward parts.

4 Give deep humility ; the sense
 Of godly sorrow give ;
 A strong desire, with confidence,
 To hear Thy voice and live :

5 Faith in the only Sacrifice
 That can for sin atone ;
 To cast our hopes, to fix our eyes
 On Christ, on Christ alone :

6 Give these, and then Thy will be done.
 Thus strengthened with all might,
 We, through Thy Spirit and Thy Son,
 Shall pray, and pray aright.

James Montgomery. 1819.

28

C. M.

1 O THOU who hast Thy servants taught,
 That not by words alone,
 But by the fruits of holiness,
 The life of God is shown :

2 While in Thy house of prayer we meet,
 And call Thee God and Lord,
 Give us a heart to follow Thee,
 Obedient to Thy word !

3 Through all the dangerous paths of life,
 Uphold us as we go ;
 That with our lips, and in our lives,
 Thy glory we may show.

Henry Alford. 1844.

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1 COME, my soul, thy suit prepare,
 Jesus loves to answer prayer :
 He Himself has bid thee pray,
 Therefore will not say thee nay.

- 2 Thou art coming to a King ;
Large petitions with thee bring ;
For His grace and power are such,
None can ever ask too much.
- 3 With my burden I begin ;
Lord, remove this load of sin !
Let Thy Blood, for sinners spilt,
Set my conscience free from guilt.
- 4 Lord, I come to Thee for rest !
Take possession of my breast ;
There Thy blood-bought right maintain,
And without a rival reign.
- 5 While I am a pilgrim here,
Let Thy love my spirit cheer ;
As my Guide, my Guard, my Friend,
Lead me to my journey's end.
- 6 Show me what I have to do,
Every hour my strength renew ;
Let me live a life of faith,
Let me die Thy people's death.

John Newton. 1779.

- 1 COME, Thou Fount of every blessing,
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace ;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,
Call for songs of loudest praise.
- 2 Here I raise mine Ebenezer,
Hither by Thy help I'm come ;
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure,
Safely to arrive at home.
- 3 Jesus sought me when a stranger,
Wandering from the fold of God ;
He, to rescue me from danger,
Interposed His precious Blood.

4 O, to grace how great a debtor
 Daily I'm constrained to be!
 Let that grace, Lord, like a fetter,
 Bind my wandering heart to Thee.

5 Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
 Prone to leave the God I love;
 Here's my heart; O take and seal it,
 Seal it from Thy courts above.

Robert Robinson, 1758. a.

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8, 7.

1 LOVE divine, all love excelling,
 Joy of heaven, to earth come down!
 Fix in us Thy humble dwelling,
 All Thy faithful mercies crown.
 Jesus, Thou art all compassion,
 Pure, unbounded love Thou art;
 Visit us with Thy salvation,
 Enter every trembling heart!

2 Breathe, O breathe Thy loving spirit
 Into every troubled breast!
 Let us all in Thee inherit,
 Let us find Thy promised rest.
 Take away the love of sinning,
 Alpha and Omega be;
 End of faith, as its beginning,
 Set our hearts at liberty.

3 Come, Almighty to deliver,
 Let us all Thy life receive;
 Graciously return, and never,
 Never more Thy temples leave!
 Thee we would be always blessing,
 Serve Thee as Thy hosts above,
 Pray and praise Thee without ceasing,
 Glory in Thy precious love.

4 Finish then Thy new creation,
 Pure and spotless let us be ;
 Let us see Thy great salvation
 Perfectly restored in Thee !
 Changed from glory into glory,
 Till in heaven we take our place,
 Till we cast our crowns before Thee,
 Lost in wonder, love, and praise.

C. Wesley. 1746. a.

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Te læta, Mundi Conditor.

C. M.

1 MAKER of earth, to Thee alone
 Eternal rest belongs ;
 And heavenly choirs around Thy throne
 Pour forth their endless songs.

2 But we—ah, holy now no more !
 Are doomed to toil and pain ;
 Yet exiles on an alien shore
 May sing their country's strain.

3 Father, whose promise binds Thee still
 To heal the suppliant throng,
 Grant us to mourn the deeds of ill
 That banish us so long !

4 And while we mourn, in faith to rest
 Upon Thy Love and care ;
 Till Thou restore us, with the blest,
 The song of heaven to share !

John Mason Neale. 1850. a.

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THE LORD'S DAY.

7s.

1 FATHER, who the light this day
 Out of darkness didst create,
 Shine upon us now, we pray,
 While within Thy courts we wait.

Wean us from the works of night,
Make us children of the light.

2 Saviour, who this day didst break
From the bondage of the tomb,
Bid our slumbering souls awake ;
Shine through all their sin and gloom ;
Let us, from our bonds set free,
Rise from sin, and live to Thee.

3 Blessed Spirit, Comforter,
Sent this day from Christ on high ;
Lord, on us Thy gifts confer,
Cleanse, illumine, sanctify ;
All Thine influence shed abroad ;
Lead us to the truth of God.

Julia Anne Elliott. 1833. a.

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L. M.

1 **T**HIS day the light, of heavenly birth,
First streamed upon the new-born earth :
O Lord, this day upon us shine,
And fill our souls with light divine.

2 This day the Saviour left the grave,
And rose, omnipotent to save :
O Jesus, may we raiséd be
From death of sin to life in Thee.

3 This day the Holy Spirit came,
With fiery tongues of cloven flame :
O Spirit, fill our hearts this day
With grace to hear, and grace to pray

4 O day of Light, and Life, and Grace !
From earthly toils sweet resting-place
Thy hallowed hours, best gift of love,
We give again to God above.

William Walsham How. 1855. a.

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C. M.

- 1 BLEST day of God, most calm, most bright,
B The first and best of days ;
The laborer's rest, the saint's delight,
The day of prayer and praise !
- 2 My Saviour's face made thee to shine,
His rising did thee raise ;
This made thee heavenly and divine
Beyond the common days.
- 3 The first fruits oft a blessing prove
To all the sheaves behind ;
And they that do a Sabbath love,
A happy week shall find.
- 4 This day must I 'fore God appear,
For, Lord, the day is Thine ;
O let me spend it in Thy fear,
Then shall the day be mine.

John Mason. 1683. a.

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Licht von Licht, erleuchte mich.

7, 8, 7.

- 1 LIGHT of light, enlighten me,
L Now anew the day is dawning ;
Sun of grace, the shadows flee,
Brighten Thou my Sabbath morning.
With Thy joyous sunshine blest,
Happy is my day of rest !
- 2 Fount of all our joy and peace,
To Thy living waters lead me ;
Thou from earth my soul release,
And with grace and mercy feed me.
Bless Thy Word, that it may prove
Rich in fruits that Thou dost love.
- 3 Kindle Thou the sacrifice
That upon my lips is lying ;
Clear the shadows from mine eyes,
That, from every error flying,

No strange fire may in me glow
That Thine altar doth not know.

4 Let me with my heart to-day,
Holy, holy, holy, singing,
Rapt awhile from earth away,
All my soul to Thee up-springing,
Have a foretaste inly given,
How they worship Thee in heaven.

5 Rest in me and I in Thee,
Build a paradise within me ;
O reveal Thyselv to me,
Blessed Love, who diedst to win me :
Fed from Thine exhaustless urn,
Pure and bright my lamp shall burn.

6 Hence all care, all vanity,
For the day to God is holy :
Come, thou glorious Majesty,
Deign to fill this temple lowly ;
Naught to-day my soul shall move,
Simply resting in Thy love.

*Benjamin Schmolck. 1715.
Miss Winkworth Tr. 1858.*

37 7s.

1 SAFELY through another week,
God has brought us on our way :
Let us now a blessing seek,
Waiting in His courts to-day ;
Day of all the week the best,
Emblem of eternal rest.

2 Mercies multiplied each hour
Through the week, our praise demand ;
Guarded by Thy mighty power,
Fed and guided by Thy hand ;
Though ungrateful we have been,
Only made returns of sin.

3 While we pray for pardoning grace,
 Through the dear Redeemer's name,
 Show Thy reconciling face,
 Take away our sin and shame :
 From our worldly cares set free,
 May we rest this day in Thee.

4 Here we're come, Thy name to praise ;
 Let us feel Thy presence near :
 May Thy glory meet our eyes,
 While we in Thy house appear :
 Here afford us, Lord, a taste
 Of our everlasting feast.

5 May the Gospel's joyful sound
 Conquer sinners, comfort saints ;
 Make the fruits of grace abound,
 Bring relief for all complaints.
 Thus may all our Sabbaths prove,
 Till we join the Church above.

John Newton. 1779. a

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L. M.

1 **A** NOTHER six days' work is done,
 Another Sabbath is begun :
 Return, my soul, enjoy thy rest,
 Improve the day thy God has blest.

2 Come, bless the Lord, whose Love assigns
 So sweet a rest to wearied minds ;
 Provides an antepast of heaven,
 And gives this day the food of seven.

3 O that our thoughts and thanks may rise
 As grateful incense to the skies ;
 And draw from heaven that sweet repose,
 Which none but he who feels it knows.

4 With joy God's wondrous works we view
 In various scenes both old and new ;

With praise we think on mercies past,
With hope we future pleasures taste.

5 In holy duties let the day,
In holy pleasures pass away.
How sweet a Sabbath thus to spend,
In hope of one that ne'er shall end !

Joseph Stennett. 1732. a.

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PSALM 118.

C. M.

1 **T**HIS is the day the Lord hath made ;
He calls the hours His own :
Let heaven rejoice, let earth be glad,
And praise surround the throne.

2 To-day He rose and left the dead,
And Satan's empire fell ;
To-day the saints His triumph spread,
And all His wonders tell.

3 Hosanna to the anointed King,
To David's holy Son ;
Help us, O Lord ; descend and bring
Salvation from Thy throne.

4 Blest be the Lord, who comes to men
With messages of grace ;
Who comes in God His Father's name,
To save our sinful race.

5 Hosanna in the highest strains
The Church on earth can raise ;
The highest heavens, in which He reigns,
Shall give Him nobler praise.

Watts. 1719.

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1 **C**HRIST, whose glory fills the skies,
Christ, the true, the only Light,
Sun of Righteousness, arise,
Triumph o'er the shades of night :

Dayspring from on high, be near ;
Daystar, in my heart appear.

- 2 Dark and cheerless is the morn,
 Unaccompanied by Thee ;
Joyless is the day's return,
 Till Thy mercy's beams I see :
Till Thou inward light impart,
 Glad my eyes, and warm my heart.
- 3 Visit then this soul of mine ;
 Pierce the gloom of sin and grief ;
Fill me, Radiancy divine ;
 Scatter all my unbelief :
More and more Thyself display,
 Shining to the perfect day.

C. Wesley. 1740.

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Morgenglanz der Ewigkeit.

78.

- 1 JESUS, Sun of Righteousness,
 Brightest beam of love divine,
With the early morning rays
 Do Thou on our darkness shine,
And dispel with purest light
 All our long and gloomy night !
- 2 Like the sun's reviving ray,
 May Thy Love with tender glow,
All our coldness melt away,
 Warm and cheer us forth to go,
Gladly serve Thee and obey
 All our life's short earthly day !
- 3 Thou our only Hope and Guide !
 Never leave us nor forsake :
In Thy light may we abide
 Till the endless morning break ;
Moving on to Zion's hill,
 Onward, upward, homeward still !

4 Lead us all our days and years
 In Thy straight and narrow way
 Lead us through the vale of tears
 To the land of perfect day,
 Where Thy people, fully blest.
 Near Thy throne for ever rest.

*Christian Knorr von Rosenroth. 1684.
 Jane Borthwick, Tr. 1853. a.*

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PSALM 132.

C. M.

1 **A**RISE, O King of grace, arise,
 And enter to Thy rest ;
 Behold, Thy Church, with longing eyes,
 Waits to be owned and blest.

2 Enter with all Thy glorious train,
 Thy Spirit and Thy Word ;
 All that the ark did once contain
 Could no such grace afford.

3 Here, mighty God, accept our vows ;
 Here let Thy praise be spread ;
 Bless the provisions of Thy house,
 And fill Thy poor with bread.

4 Here let the Son of David reign,
 Let God's Anointed shine ;
 Justice and truth His court maintain,
 With love and power divine.

Wafts. 1719. a.

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PSALM 84.

H. M.

1 **L**ORD of the worlds above,
 How pleasant and how fair
 The dwellings of Thy Love,
 Thine earthly temples are !

To Thine abode | With warm desires
 My heart aspires, | To see my God.

2 O happy souls, that pray
Where God appoints to hear !

O happy men, that pay
Their constant service there !

They praise Thee still; | That love the way
And happy they | To Zion's hill.

3 They go from strength to strength
Through this dark vale of tears,
Till each arrives at length,
Till each in heaven appears.

O glorious seat, | Shall thither bring
When God our King | Our willing feet !

Watts. 1719.

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PSALM 84.

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1 PLEASANT are Thy courts above,
In the land of light and love ;
Pleasant are Thy courts below,
In this land of sin and woe.
O, my spirit longs and faints
For the converse of Thy saints,
For the brightness of Thy face,
For Thy fulness, God of grace !

2 Happy souls ! their praises flow
Even in this vale of woe ;
Waters in the desert rise,
Manna feeds them from the skies :
On they go from strength to strength,
Till they reach Thy throne at length,
At Thy feet adoring fall,
Who hast led them safe through all.

3 Lord, be mine this prize to win :
Guide me through a world of sin ;
Keep me by Thy saving grace ;
Give me at Thy side a place.

Sun and Shield alike Thou art ;
 Guide and guard my erring heart.
 Grace and glory flow from Thee ;
 Shower, O shower them, Lord, on me !

Henry Francis Lyte. 1834.

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PSALM 122.

C. M.

1 PEACE be within this sacred place,
 And joy a constant guest ;
 With holy gifts and heavenly grace
 Be her attendants blest !

2 My soul shall pray for Zion still,
 While life or breath remains ;
 There my best friends, my kindred dwell,
 There God, my Saviour, reigns.

Watts. 1719.

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PSALM 92.

L. M.

1 SWEET is the work, my God, my King,
 To praise Thy Name, give thanks, and sing ;
 To show Thy Love by morning light,
 And talk of all Thy truth at night.

2 Sweet is the day of sacred rest,
 No mortal cares shall seize my breast.
 My heart shall triumph in my Lord,
 And bless His works, and bless His Word.

3 And I shall share a glorious part,
 When grace hath well refined my heart ;
 When doubts and fears no more remain,
 To break my inward peace again.

4 Then shall I see, and hear, and know,
 All I desired or wished below ;
 And every power find sweet employ
 In that eternal world of joy.

Watts. 1719. a.

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L. M.

- 1 A WAY from every mortal care,
 Away from earth, our souls retreat;
 We leave this worthless world afar,
 And wait and worship near Thy seat.
- 2 Lord, in the temples of Thy grace,
 We bow before Thee and adore;
 We view the glories of Thy face,
 And learn the wonders of Thy power.
- 3 Whilst here our various wants we mourn,
 United prayers ascend on high;
 And faith expects a sure return
 Of blessings in variety.
- 4 Father! my soul would here abide;
 Or, if my feet must hence depart,
 Still keep me, Father, near Thy side,
 Still keep Thy dwelling in my heart.

From Watts. 1709.

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- 1 TO Thy temple I repair:
 Lord, I love to worship there;
 When, within the veil, I meet
 Christ before the mercy seat.
- 2 I through Him am reconciled,
 I through Him become Thy child:
 Abba, Father! give me grace
 In Thy courts to seek Thy face.
- 3 While Thy glorious praise is sung,
 Touch my lips, unloose my tongue:
 That my joyful soul may bless
 Christ, the Lord my righteousness.

- 4 While the prayers of saints ascend,
God of love, to mine attend ;
Hear me, for Thy Spirit pleads ;
Hear, for Jesus intercedes.
- 5 While I hearken to Thy Law,
Fill my soul with humble awe ;
Till Thy gospel bring to me
Life and immortality.
- 6 While Thy ministers proclaim
Peace and pardon in Thy Name,
Through their voice, by faith may I
Hear Thee speaking from the sky.
- 7 From Thy house when I return,
May my heart within me burn ;
And at evening let me say,
“I have walked with God to-day.”

James Montgomery. 1812. a.

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Herr Jesu Christ, Dich zu uns wend.

L. M.

- 1 **L**ORD Jesus Christ, be present now !
And let Thy Holy Spirit bow
All hearts in love and fear to-day,
To hear the truth and keep Thy way.
- 2 Open our lips to sing Thy praise,
Our hearts in true devotion raise,
Strengthen our faith, increase our light,
That we may know Thy Name aright :
- 3 Until we join the host that cry
“Holy art Thou, O Lord most High !”
And 'mid the light of that blest place
Shall gaze upon Thee face to face.
- 4 Glory to God, the Father, Son,
And Holy Spirit, Three in One !
To Thee, O blessed Trinity,
Be praise throughout eternity !

*Wm. August. II., Duke of Saxe-Weimar. 1638.
Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1862.*

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Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier.

7, 8, 8.

1 **B**LESSED Jesus, at Thy word
 We are gathered all to hear Thee ;
 Let our hearts and souls be stirred
 Now to seek and love and fear Thee ;
 By Thy teachings sweet and holy,
 Drawn from earth to love Thee solely.

2 All our knowledge, sense, and sight
 Lie in deepest darkness shrouded,
 Till Thy Spirit breaks our night
 With the beams of truth unclouded.
 Thou alone to God canst win us,
 Thou must work all good within us.

3 Glorious Lord, Thyself impart !
 Light of light, from God proceeding,
 Open Thou our ears and heart,
 Help us by Thy Spirit's pleading,
 Hear the cry Thy people raises,
 Hear, and bless our prayers and praises.

*Tobias Clausnitzer. 1671.**Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1858.*

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Thut mir auf die schaene Pforte.

8, 7, 7.

1 **O**PEN now thy gates of beauty,
 Zion, let me enter there,
 Where my soul, in joyful duty,
 Waits for Him who answers prayer ;
 O how blessed is this place,
 Filled with solace, light, and grace.

2 Yes, my God, I come before Thee,
 Come Thou also down to me ;
 Where we find Thee and adore Thee
 There a heaven on earth must be.
 To my heart O enter Thou,
 Let it be Thy temple now.

3 Here Thy praise is gladly chanted,
 Here Thy seed is duly sown :
 Let my soul, where it is planted,
 Bring forth precious sheaves alone.
 So that all I hear may be
 Fruitful unto life in me.

4 Thou my faith increase and quicken,
 Let me keep Thy gift divine,
 Howsoe'er temptations thicken,
 May Thy Word still o'er me shine ;
 As my pole-star through my life,
 As my comfort in my strife.

5 Speak, O God, and I will hear Thee,
 Let Thy will be done indeed ;
 May I undisturbed draw near Thee
 While Thou dost Thy people feed ;
 Here of life the fountain flows,
 Here is balm for all our woes.

*Benjamin Schmolck. 1704.
 Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1862.*

52 *Angulare Fundamentum.* **H. M.**

1 CHRIST is our Corner-stone ;
 On Him alone we build ;
 With His true saints alone
 The courts of heaven are filled :
 On His great Love | Of present grace
 Our hopes we place, | And joys above.

2 O then, with hymns of praise
 These hallowed courts shall ring !
 Our voices we will raise,
 The Three in One to sing ;
 And thus proclaim | Both loud and long,
 In joyful song, | That glorious Name.

3 Here, gracious God, do Thou
 For evermore draw nigh ;
 Accept each faithful vow,
 And mark each suppliant sigh :
 In copious shower, | Each holy day,
 On all who pray, | Thy blessing pour.

4 Here may we gain from heaven
 The grace which we implore,
 And may that grace, once given,
 Be with us evermore.
 Until that day | To endless rest
 When all the blest | Are called away.

5 Praise to the God of heaven,
 Praise to His only Son ;
 And praise to Him be given
 Who joins them both in One ;
 The Holy Dove, | For the blest seat
 Who makes us meet | Of God above.

John Chandler. 1837.

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C. M.

1 L ONG have I sat beneath the sound
 Of Thy salvation, Lord ;
 But still how weak my faith is found,
 And knowledge of Thy Word !

2 My Hope, my Portion, and my God,
 How little art Thou known
 By all the judgments of Thy rod,
 And blessings of Thy throne !

3 How cold and feeble is my love !
 How negligent my fear !
 How low my hope of joys above !
 How few affections there !

4 Great God, Thy sovereign power impart
 To give Thy Word success ;
 Write Thy salvation in my heart,
 And make me learn Thy grace.

5 Show my forgetful feet the way
 That leads to joys on high ;
 There knowledge grows without decay,
 And love shall never die.

Watts. 1709. a.

54

C. M.

1 FREQUENT the day of God returns,
 F To shed its quickening beams ;
 And yet how slow devotion burns,
 How languid are its flames !

2 Accept our faint attempts to love ;
 Our frailties, Lord, forgive.
 We would be like Thy saints above,
 And praise Thee while we live.

3 Increase, O Lord, our faith and hope,
 And fit us to ascend
 Where the assembly ne'er breaks up,
 The Sabbath ne'er shall end ;

4 Where we shall breathe in heavenly air,
 With heavenly lustre shine ;
 Before the throne of God appear,
 And feast on Love divine.

Simon Browne. 1720. a.

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L. M. 6l.

1 FORTH from the dark and stormy sky,
 F Lord, to Thine altar's shade we fly :
 Forth from the world, its hope and fear,
 Saviour, we seek Thy shelter here :
 Weary and weak, Thy grace we pray :
 Turn not, O Lord, Thy guests away !

2 Long have we roamed in want and pain ;
 Long have we sought Thy rest in vain ;
 'Wilder'd in doubt, in darkness lost,
 Long have our souls been tempest-tost :
 Low at Thy feet our sins we lay ;
 Turn not, O Lord, Thy guests away.

Reginald Heber. 1827.

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 CLOSE OF WORSHIP.

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C. M.

1 **A**LMIGHTY GOD ! Thy Word is cast
 Like seed into the ground ;
 Now let the dew of heaven descend,
 And righteous fruits abound.

2 Let not the foe of Christ and man
 This holy seed remove ;
 But give it root in every heart,
 To bring forth fruits of love.

3 Let not the world's deceitful cares
 The rising plant destroy ;
 But let it yield a hundred fold
 The fruits of peace and joy.

4 Oft as the precious seed is sown,
 Thy quickening grace bestow,
 That all whose souls the truth receive,
 Its saving power may know.

From John Cawood. 1816.

57

H. M.

1 **O**N what has now been sown,
 Thy blessing, Lord, bestow ;
 The power is Thine alone
 To make it spring and grow :

Do Thou the gracious harvest raise,
And Thou alone shalt have the praise.

2 To Thee our wants are known,
From Thee are all our powers,
Accept what is Thine own,
And pardon what is ours:

Our praises, Lord, and prayers receive,
And to Thy Word a blessing give.

3 O grant that each of us,
Who meet before Thee here,
May meet together thus,
When Thou and Thine appear,
And follow Thee to heaven our home;
Even so, Amen, Lord Jesus, come!

John Newton. 1779.

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s. 7.

1 L ORD, dismiss us with Thy blessing,
Fill our hearts with joy and peace!
Let us each, Thy Love possessing,
Triumph in redeeming grace.
O refresh us,
Travelling through this wilderness.

2 Thanks we give and adoration
For Thy Gospel's joyful sound.
May the fruits of Thy salvation
In our hearts and lives abound:
May Thy presence
With us evermore be found.

3 So, whene'er the signal's given
Us from earth to call away,
Borne on angels' wings to heaven,
Glad the summons to obey,
May we, ready,
Rise and reign in endless day.

Walter Shirley. 1774. a

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7, 6.

- 1 **A** BIDE with us, our Saviour,
Nor let Thy mercy cease;
From Satan's might defend us,
And grant our souls release.
- 2 Abide with us, our Saviour,
Sustain us by Thy Word;
That we with all Thy people
To life may be restored.
- 3 Abide with us, our Saviour,
Thou Light of endless light;
Increase to us Thy blessings,
And save us by Thy might.
- 4 To Father, Son, and Spirit,
Eternal One in Three,
As was, and is for ever,
All praise and glory be.

*Joshua Stegmann. 1630.
Unknown, Tr. 1848.*

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7s.

- 1 **L** ORD, Thou art the Truth and Way:
Guide us, lest we go astray.
Lord, Thou art the Life: by Thee
May we gain eternity.
- 2 In ourselves we cannot trust;
Lord, remember we are dust!
Thou who all our frailty know'st,
Send Thou us Thy Holy Ghost!

*From the Danish.
Unknown, Tr. 1850. a.*

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8, 7.

- 1 **S** AVIOUR! all my sins confessing,
Gracious hear me when I cry;
Give, through faith, the promised blessing,
Freely, fully *justify*.

2 By Thy Holy Spirit's leading,
 Bring me to Thy bosom nigh ;
 In Thy blessed footsteps treading,
 Soul and body *sanctify*.

3 So, the days of conflict ended,
 In the mansions of the sky,
 Whither, Lord, Thou art ascended,
 With Thyself, me *glorify*.

Thomas Haweis. 1808. a.

62

After Evening Service.

L. M.

1 O SAVIOUR ! bless us ere we go,
 Thy Word into our minds instill ;
 And make our lukewarm hearts to glow
 With lowly love and fervent will.

2 The day is done, its hours have run,
 And Thou hast taken count of all ;
 The scanty triumphs grace hath won,
 The broken vow, the frequent fall.

3 Grant us, dear Lord, from evil ways
 True absolution and release ;
 And bless us more than in past days
 With purity and inward peace.

4 Do more than pardon : give us joy,
 Sweet fear and sober liberty,
 And loving hearts without alloy,
 That only long to be like Thee.

5 Labor is sweet, for Thou hast toiled ;
 And care is light, for Thou hast cared :
 Ah, never let our works be soiled
 With self, or by deceit insnared.

6 For all we love, the poor, the sad,
 The sinful, unto Thee we call :
 O let Thy mercy make us glad !
 Thou art our Jesus and our All.

Frederic W. Faber. 1852. a.

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- 1 NOW may He who from the dead
Brought the Shepherd of the sheep,
Jesus Christ, our King and Head,
All our souls in safety keep.
- 2 May He teach us to fulfil
What is pleasing in His sight ;
Perfect us in all His will,
And preserve us day and night.
- 3 To that dear Redeemer's praise,
Who the covenant sealed with blood,
Let our hearts and voices raise
Loud thanksgivings to our God.

John Newton. 1779.

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8, 7.

- 1 MAY the grace of Christ our Saviour,
And the Father's boundless Love,
With the Holy Spirit's favor,
Rest upon us from above.
- 2 Thus may we abide in union
With each other and the Lord ;
And possess, in sweet communion,
Joys which earth cannot afford.

John Newton. 1779.

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C. M.

- 1 HAIL, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
One God in persons Three ;
Of Thee we make our joyful boast,
Our songs we make of Thee.
- 2 Present alike in every place,
Thy Godhead we adore :
Beyond the bounds of time and space,
Thou dwell'st for evermore.

3 In wisdom infinite Thou art,
 Thine eye doth all things see ;
 And every thought of every heart
 Is fully known to Thee.

4 Whate'er Thou wilt, in earth below
 Thou dost, in heaven above ;
 But chiefly we rejoice to know
 The Almighty God is Love.

5 Thou lov'st whate'er Thy hands have made ;
 Thy goodness we rehearse,
 In shining characters displayed
 Throughout our universe.

6 Mercy, with love, and endless grace,
 O'er all Thy works doth reign :
 But mostly Thou delight'st to bless
 Thy favorite creature, man.

7 Wherefore let every creature give
 To Thee the praise designed ;
 But chiefly, Lord, the thanks receive,
 The hearts of all mankind.

C. Wesley. 1763.

C. M

66

1 BLEST be our everlasting Lord,
 B Our Father, God, and King !
 Thy sovereign greatness we record,
 Thy glorious power we sing.

2 By Thee the victory is given :
 The majesty divine,
 Wisdom and might, and earth and heaven,
 And all therein are Thine.

3 The kingdom, Lord, is Thine alone,
 Who dost Thy right maintain,
 And, high on Thine eternal throne,
 O'er men and angels reign.

4 Riches, as seemeth good to Thee,
 Thou dost, and honor give ;
 And kings their power and dignity
 Out of Thy hand receive.

5 Thou hast on us the grace bestowed,
 Thy greatness to proclaim ;
 And therefore now we thank our God,
 And praise Thy glorious Name.

6 Thy glorious Name, Thy nature's powers,
 Thou hast to man made known ;
 And all the Deity is ours,
 Through Thy incarnate Son.

C. Wesley. 1762. a.

1 **T**HOUSANDS of thousands stand around
 Thy throne, O God most high ;
 Ten thousand times ten thousand sound
 Thy praise : but who am I ?

2 Enlighten with faith's light my heart,
 Inflame it with love's fire ;
 So shall I sing and bear a part
 With that celestial choir.

3 How great a being, Lord, is Thine,
 Which doth all beings keep !
 Thy knowledge is the only line
 To sound so vast a deep.

4 Thou art a Sea without a shore,
 A Sun without a sphere ;
 Thy time is now and evermore,
 Thy place is everywhere.

5 How good art Thou, whose Goodness is
 Our parent, nurse, and guide :
 Whose streams do water paradise,
 And all the earth beside !

6 Thy hidden wonders, God of grace !
 I humbly here adore ;
 Show me Thy glory and Thy face,
 That I may praise Thee more.

John Mason. 1683. a.

68

C. M.

1 **G**REAT GOD, how infinite art Thou !
G How frail and weak are we !
 Let the whole race of creatures bow,
 And pay their praise to Thee.

2 Thy throne eternal ages stood,
 Ere earth or heaven was made ;
 Thou art the ever-living God,
 Were all the nations dead.

3 Nature and time all open lie
 To Thine immense survey,
 From the formation of the sky,
 To the last awful day.

4 Eternity, with all its years,
 Stands present to Thy view.
 To Thee there's nothing old appears ;
 To Thee there's nothing new.

5 Great God how infinite art Thou !
 How frail and weak are we !
 Let the whole race of creatures bow,
 And pay their praise to Thee.

Watts. 1709. a.

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C. M.

1 **H**OLY and reverend is the Name
 Of our eternal King.
 Thrice holy, Lord ! the angels cry :
 Thrice holy, let us sing.

2 Holy is He in all His works,
 And saints are His delight ;
 But sinners and their wicked ways
 Shall perish from His sight.

3 The deepest reverence of the mind
 Pay, O my soul, to God ;
 Lift with thy hands a holy heart
 To His sublime abode.

4 Thou, righteous God ! preserve my soul
 From all pollution free :
 The pure in heart are Thy delight,
 And they Thy face shall see.

John Needham. 1768. a.

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PSALM 111.

C. M.

1 SONGS of immortal praise belong
 To my almighty God :
 He hath my heart, and He my tongue,
 To spread His Name abroad.

2 How great the works His Hand hath wrought !
 How glorious in our sight !
 And men in every age have sought
 His wonders with delight.

3 How most exact is nature's frame !
 How wise the eternal Mind !
 His counsels never change the scheme
 That His first thoughts designed.

4 When He redeemed the sons of men,
 He fixed His covenant sure :
 The orders that His lips pronounce
 To endless years endure.

5 Nature and time and earth and skies
 Thy heavenly skill proclaim.
 What shall we do to make us wise,
 But learn to read Thy Name ?

6 To fear Thy power, to trust Thy grace,
 Is our divinest skill ;
 And he's the wisest of our race,
 Who best obeys Thy will.

Watts. 1719.

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PSALM 139.

L. M.

- 1 **L**ORD, Thou hast searched and seen me through
Thine eye commands, with piercing view,
My rising and my resting hours,
My heart and flesh, with all their powers.
- 2 Within Thy circling power I stand,
On every side I find Thy hand :
Awake, asleep, at home, abroad,
I am surrounded still with God.
- 3 Could I so false, so faithless prove,
To quit Thy service and Thy love,
Where, Lord, could I Thy presence shun,
Or from Thy dreadful glory run ?
- 4 The veil of night is no disguise,
No screen from Thy all-searching eyes ;
Thy hand can seize Thy foes as soon
Through midnight shades, as blazing noon.
- 5 O may these thoughts possess my breast,
Where'er I rove, where'er I rest !
Nor let my weaker passions dare
Consent to sin, for God is there.

Watts, 1719.

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PSALM 139.

C. M.

- 1 **L**ORD, all I am is known to Thee!
In vain my soul would try
To shun Thy presence, or to flee
The notice of Thine eye.
- 2 Thine all-surrounding sight surveys
My rising and my rest,
My public walks, my private ways,
And secrets of my breast.
- 3 My thoughts lie open to the Lord,
Before they're formed within;
And ere my lips pronounce the word,
He knows the sense I mean.

4 O wondrous knowledge, deep and high !
 Where can a creature hide ?
 Within Thy circling arms I lie,
 Beset on every side.

5 So let Thy grace surround me still,
 And like a bulwark prove,
 To guard my soul from every ill,
 Secured by sovereign love.

Watts. 1719. a.

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PSALM 103.

S. M.

1 O BLESS the Lord, my soul !
 Let all within me join,
 And aid my tongue to bless His Name,
 Whose favors are divine.

2 O bless the Lord, my soul !
 Nor let His mercies lie
 Forgotten in unthankfulness,
 And without praises die.

3 'Tis He forgives thy sins ;
 'Tis He relieves thy pain ;
 'Tis He that heals thy sicknesses,
 And gives thee strength again.

4 He crowns thy life with Love,
 When ransomed from the grave ;
 He that redeemed my soul from death
 Hath sovereign power to save.

5 He fills the poor with good ;
 He gives the sufferers rest :
 The Lord hath judgments for the proud,
 And justice for the opprest.

6 His wondrous works and ways
 He made by Moses known ;
 But sent the world His truth and grace
 By His beloved Son.

Watts. 1719. a.

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PSALM 103.

S. M.

1 **M**Y soul, repeat His praise,
Whose mercies are so great ;
Whose anger is so slow to rise,
So ready to abate.

2 God will not always chide ;
And, when His wrath is felt,
His strokes are fewer than our crimes,
And lighter than our guilt.

3 High as the heavens are raised
Above the ground we tread,
So far the riches of His grace
Our highest thoughts exceed.

4 His power subdues our sins ;
And His forgiving Love,
Far as the east is from the west,
Doth all our guilt remove.

5 Our days are as the grass,
Or like the morning flower ;
If one sharp blast sweep o'er the field,
It withers in an hour.

6 But Thy compassions, Lord,
To endless years endure ;
And children's children ever find
Thy words of promise sure.

Watts. 1719.

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PSALM 145.

C. M.

1 **S**WEET is the memory of Thy grace,
My God, my heavenly King !
Let age to age Thy righteousness
In sounds of glory sing.

2 God reigns on high, but ne'er confines
His goodness to the skies ;
Through the whole earth His bounty shines,
And every want supplies.

3 With longing eyes, Thy creatures wait
On Thee for daily food ;
Thy liberal hand provides their meat,
And fills their mouths with good.

4 How kind are Thy compassions, Lord !
How slow Thine anger moves !
But soon He sends His pardoning word,
To cheer the souls He loves.

5 Creatures, with all their endless race,
Thy power and praise proclaim ;
But saints, who taste Thy richer grace,
Delight to bless Thy Name.

Watts. 1719.

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C. M.

1 Y E humble souls, approach your God
With songs of sacred praise ;
For He is good, immensely good,
And kind are all His ways.

2 All nature owns His guardian care ;
In Him we live and move :
But nobler benefits declare
The wonders of His Love.

3 He gave His Son, His only Son,
To ransom rebel worms.
'Tis here He makes His goodness known
In its divinest forms.

4 To this dear refuge, Lord, we come ;
'Tis here our hope relies ;
A safe defence, a peaceful home,
When storms of trouble rise.

5 Thine eye beholds with kind regard
The souls who trust in Thee ;
Their humble hope Thou wilt reward
With bliss divinely free.

6 Great God, to Thy almighty Love
What honors shall we raise ?
Not all the raptured songs above
Can render equal praise.

Anne Steele. 1760.

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C. M.

1 **T**HY ceaseless, unexhausted Love,
Unmerited and free,
Delights our evil to remove,
And help our misery.

2 Thou waitest to be gracious still ;
Thou dost with sinners bear ;
That, saved, we may Thy goodness feel,
And all Thy grace declare.

3 Thy goodness and Thy truth, to me,
To every soul abound ;
A vast unfathomable sea,
Where all our thoughts are drowned.

4 Its streams the whole creation reach,
So plenteous is the store ;
Enough for all, enough for each,
Enough for evermore.

5 Faithful, O Lord, Thy mercies are,
A rock that cannot move :
A thousand promises declare
Thy constancy of love.

6 Throughout the universe it reigns,
Unalterably sure ;
And, while the truth of God remains,
His goodness must endure.

C. Wesley. 1762.

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8, 7.

- 1 GOD is Love: His mercy brightens
All the path in which we rove;
Bliss He wakes, and woe He lightens:
God is Wisdom, God is Love.
- 2 Chance and change are busy ever;
Man decays, and ages move:
But His mercy waneth never;
God is Wisdom, God is Love.
- 3 Even the hour that darkest seemeth
Will His changeless goodness prove;
From the gloom His brightness streameth:
God is Wisdom, God is Love.
- 4 He with earthly cares entwineth
Hope and comfort from above:
Everywhere His glory shineth;
God is Wisdom, God is Love.

Sir John Bowring. 1825. a.

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CREATION.

L. M.

- 1 THE spacious firmament on high,
With all the blue ethereal sky,
And spangled heavens, a shining frame,
Their great Original proclaim.
- 2 The unwearyed sun, from day to day,
Does his Creator's power display,
And publishes to every land
The work of an Almighty Hand.
- 3 Soon as the evening shades prevail,
The moon takes up the wondrous tale;
And nightly to the listening earth
Repeats the story of her birth:

- 4 Whilst all the stars that round her burn,
And all the planets in their turn,
Confirm the tidings as they roll,
And spread the truth from pole to pole.
- 5 What though in solemn silence all
Move round this dark terrestrial ball,
What though no real voice nor sound
Amidst their radiant orbs be found ;
- 6 In reason's ear they all rejoice,
And utter forth a glorious voice,
Forever singing as they shine,
"The Hand that made us is divine."

Joseph Addison. 1712.

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Himmel, Erde, Luft, und Meer.

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- 1 **H**EAVEN and earth, and sea and air,
All their Maker's praise declare :
Wake, my soul, awake and sing,
Now thy grateful praises bring.
- 2 See the glorious orb of day
Breaking through the clouds his way :
Moon and stars with silvery light
Praise Him through the silent night.
- 3 See how He hath everywhere
Made this earth so rich and fair ;
Hill and vale and fruitful land,
All things living, show His hand.
- 4 See how through the boundless sky
Fresh and free the birds do fly ;
Fire and wind and storm are still
Servants of His royal Will.
- 5 See the water's ceaseless flow,
Ever circling to and fro :
From the sources to the sea,
Still it rolls in praise to Thee.

6 Lord, great wonders workest Thou !
 To Thy sway all creatures bow :
 Write Thou deeply in my heart
 What I am, and what Thou art !

*Joachim Neander. 1677.
 Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1858. a.*

81 C. M.

1 THOU wast, O God, and Thou wast blest
 Before the world begun ;
 Of Thine Eternity possest
 Before Time's glass did run.
 Thou needest none Thy praise to sing,
 As if Thy joy could fade :
 Couldst Thou have needed anything,
 Thou couldst have nothing made.

2 Great and good God, it pleasèd Thee
 Thy Godhead to declare ;
 And what Thy goodness did decree,
 Thy greatness did prepare :
 Thou spak'st, and heaven and earth appeared,
 And answered to Thy call ;
 As if their Maker's voice they heard,
 Which is the creature's all.

3 To whom, Lord, should I sing, but Thee,
 The Maker of my tongue ?
 Lo ! other lords would seize on me,
 But I to Thee belong.
 As waters haste unto their sea,
 And earth unto its earth,
 So let my soul return to Thee,
 From whom it had its birth.

4 But ah ! I'm fallen on the night,
 And cannot come to Thee :
 Yet speak the word, " Let there be Light !"
 It shall enlighten me.

And let Thy Word, most mighty Lord,
 Thy fallen creature raise;
 O make me o'er again, and I
 Shall sing my Maker's praise.

John Mason. 1688.

PROVIDENCE.

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C. M.

- 1 GOD moves in a mysterious way,
 His wonders to perform :
 He plants His footsteps in the sea,
 And rides upon the storm.
- 2 Deep in unfathomable mines
 Of never-failing skill,
 He treasures up His bright designs,
 And works His sovereign will.
- 3 Ye fearful saints, fresh courage take :
 The clouds ye so much dread
 Are big with mercy, and shall break
 In blessings on your head.
- 4 Judge not the Lord by feeble sense,
 But trust Him for His grace;
 Behind a frowning Providence
 He hides a smiling face.
- 5 His purposes will ripen fast,
 Unfolding every hour.
 The bud may have a bitter taste,
 But sweet will be the flower.
- 6 Blind unbelief is sure to err,
 And scan His works in vain.
 God is His own interpreter,
 And He will make it plain.

William Cowper. 1774.

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C. M.

- 1 **T**HY way, O God, is in the sea ;
Thy paths I cannot trace,
Nor comprehend the mystery
Of Thy unbounded grace.
- 2 Here the dark veils of flesh and sense
My captive soul surround ;
Mysterious deeps of Providence
My wondering thoughts confound
- 3 As through a glass, I dimly see
The wonders of Thy Love ;
How little do I know of Thee,
Or of the joys above !
- 4 'Tis but in part I know Thy will :
I bless Thee for the sight ;
When will Thy Love the rest reveal,
In glory's clearer light ?
- 5 With rapture shall I then survey
Thy Providence and Grace,
And spend an everlasting day
In wonder, love, and praise.

John Fawcett. 1782.

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PSALM 23.

S. M.

- 1 **T**HE Lord my Shepherd is,
I shall be well supplied :
Since He is mine, and I am His,
What can I want beside ?
- 2 He leads me to the place
Where heavenly pasture grows,
Where living waters gently pass,
And full salvation flows.

3 If e'er I go astray,
 He doth my soul reclaim,
 And guides me in His own right way,
 For His most holy Name.

4 While He affords His aid,
 I cannot yield to fear :
 Though I should walk through death's dark
 shade,
 My Shepherd's with me there.

5 The bounties of Thy love
 Shall crown my following days ;
 Nor from Thy house will I remove,
 Nor cease to speak Thy praise. *Watts. 1719.*

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PSALM 23.

L. M. 6l.

1 THE Lord my pasture shall prepare,
 And feed me with a shepherd's care ;
 His presence shall my wants supply,
 And guard me with a watchful eye ;
 My noonday walks He shall attend,
 And all my midnight hours defend.

2 When in the sultry glebe I faint,
 Or on the thirsty mountain pant ;
 To fertile vales and dewy meads
 My weary wandering steps He leads,
 Where peaceful rivers, soft and slow,
 Amid the verdant landscape flow.

3 Though in a bare and rugged way,
 Through devious lonely wilds I stray,
 Thy bounty shall my pains beguile ;
 The barren wilderness shall smile,
 With sudden greens and herbage crowned,
 And streams shall murmur all around.

4 Though in the paths of death I tread,
 With gloomy horrors overspread,

My steadfast heart shall fear no ill,
 For Thou, O Lord, art with me still :
 Thy friendly crook shall give me aid,
 And guide me through the dreadful shade.

Joseph Addison. 1712.

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PSALM 34.

C. M.

- 1 **T**HROUGH all the changing scenes of life,
 In trouble and in joy,
 The praises of my God shall still
 My heart and tongue employ.
- 2 Of His deliverance I will boast,
 Till all that are distrest
 From my example comfort take,
 And charm their griefs to rest.
- 3 O magnify the Lord with me,
 With me exalt His Name !
 When in distress on Him I called,
 He to my rescue came.
- 4 The hosts of God encamp around
 The dwellings of the just ;
 Deliverance He affords to all
 Who on His succor trust.
- 5 O make but trial of His Love :
 Experience will decide
 How blest are they, and only they,
 Who in His truth confide.
- 6 Fear Him, ye saints, and you will then
 Have nothing else to fear ;
 Make you His service your delight,
 He'll make your wants His care.

Nahum Tate and Nicholas Brady. 1696. a.

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C. M.

- 1 **H**OW are Thy servants blest, O Lord !
 How sure is their defence !
 Eternal Wisdom is their guide,
 Their help Omnipotence.

2 From all my griefs and straits, O Lord !
 Thy mercy sets me free ;
 Whilst in the confidence of prayer
 My heart takes hold on Thee.

3 In midst of dangers, fears and death.
 Thy goodness I'll adore ;
 And praise Thee for Thy mercies past,
 And humbly hope for more.

4 My life, while Thou preserv'st my life,
 Thy sacrifice shall be ;
 And O, may death, when death shall come,
 Unite my soul to Thee !

Joseph Addison. 1712. a.

C. M.

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1 **M**Y God, my only Help and Hope,
 My strong and sure Defence,
 For all my safety and my peace
 I bless Thy Providence.

2 The daily favors of my God
 I cannot sing at large :
 Yet let me make this holy boast,
 I am the Almighty's charge.

3 Lord, in the day Thou art about
 The paths wherein I tread ;
 And in the night, when I lie down,
 Thou art about my bed.

4 Naked I came into the world,
 And nothing with me brought ;
 And nothing have I here deserved,
 Yet have I lackèd nought.

5 I do not bless my laboring hand,
 My laboring head, or chance ;
 Thy Providence, most gracious God,
 Is mine inheritance

John Mason. 1683.

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C. M.

- 1 **L**ORD, what is man, that child of pride,
That boasts his high degree?
If one poor moment he be left,
He sinks, and where is he?
- 2 In Thee I live, and move, and am;
Thou deal'st me out my days;
As Thou renew'st my being, Lord,
Let me renew Thy praise.
- 3 From Thee I am, through Thee I am,
And for Thee I must be;
'Tis better for me not to live,
Than not to live to Thee.
- 4 My God, Thou art my glorious Sun,
By whose bright beams I shine:
As Thou, Lord, ever art with me,
Let me be ever Thine.
- 5 Thou art my living Fountain, Lord,
Whose streams on me do flow;
Myself I render unto Thee,
To whom myself I owe.
- 6 As Thou, Lord, an immortal soul
Hast breathèd into me;
So let my soul be breathing forth
Immortal thanks to Thee.

John Mason. 1683

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C. M.

- 1 **S**HINE on our souls, eternal God!
With rays of beauty shine;
O let Thy favor crown our days,
And all their round be Thine.
- 2 Did we not raise our hands to Thee,
Our hands might toil in vain:
Small joy success itself could give,
If Thou Thy Love restrain.

3 With Thee let every week begin,
 With Thee each day be spent,
 For Thee each fleeting hour improved,
 Since each by Thee is lent.

4 Thus cheer us through this toilsome road,
 Till all our labors cease ;
 And heaven refresh our weary souls
 With everlasting peace.

Philip Doddridge 1755. a.

91 *C. M.*

1 O GOD of Jacob, by whose hand
 Thy people still are fed ;
 Who, through this weary pilgrimage
 Hast all our fathers led !

2 To Thee our humble vows we raise,
 To Thee address our prayer ;
 And in Thy kind and faithful breast
 Deposit all our care.

3 Through each perplexing path of life
 Our wandering footsteps guide ;
 Give us by day our daily bread,
 And raiment fit provide.

4 O spread Thy covering wings around,
 Till all our wanderings cease ;
 And at our Father's loved abode
 Our souls arrive in peace.

5 To Thee, as to our covenant God,
 We'll our whole selves resign ;
 And thankful own, that all we are,
 And all we have, is Thine.

Doddridge. 1755. a.

92 *C. M.*

1 AND art Thou with us, gracious Lord,
 To dissipate our fear ?
 Dost Thou proclaim Thyself our God,
 Our God for ever near ?

2 Doth Thy right hand, which formed the earth,
 And bears up all the skies,
 Stretch from on high its friendly aid,
 When dangers round us rise?

3 And wilt Thou lead our weary souls
 To that delightful scene,
 Where rivers of salvation flow
 Through pastures ever green?

4 On Thy support our souls shall lean,
 And banish every care;
 The gloomy vale of death shall smile,
 If God be with us there.

5 While we His gracious succor prove,
 'Midst all our various ways,
 The darkest shades through which we pass
 Shall echo with His praise.

Doddridge. 1755.

THE MINISTRY OF ANGELS.

Tibi, Christe, Splendor Patris.

s, 7, 7.

1 JESUS, Brightness of the Father,
 Life and Strength of all who live!
 In the presence of the angels,
 Glory to Thy name we give:
 And Thy wondrous praise rehearse,
 Singing in harmonious verse.

2 Blessed Lord, by their protection,
 Shelter us from harm this day:
 Keep us pure in flesh and spirit;
 Save us from the enemy:
 And vouchsafe us, by Thy grace,
 In Thy paradise a place.

3 Glory to the almighty Father,
 Let our voices now repeat ;
 Glory to the great Redeemer ;
 Glory to the Paraclete ;
 Three in One, and One in Three,
 Throughout all eternity.

Rabanus Maurus. d. 856.
Edward Caswall, Tr. 1848. a.

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10s.

1 STARS of the morning, so gloriously bright,
 Filled with celestial resplendence and light,
 These that, where night never followeth day,
 Raise the “ Thrice holy, Lord !” ever and aye :

2 These are Thy counsellors ; these dost Thou own,
 Lord God of Sabaoth ! nearest Thy throne.
 These are Thy ministers ; these dost Thou send,
 Help of the helpless ones ! man to defend.

3 Still let them succor us ; still let them fight,
 Lord of angelic hosts ! battling for right :
 Till, where their anthems they ceaselessly pour,
 We with the angels may bow and adore.

Joseph of the Studium. ab. 850.
John Mason Neale, Tr. 1862. a.

SIN AND REDEMPTION.

95 C. M.

1 HOW helpless guilty nature lies,
 Unconscious of its load !
 The heart unchanged can never rise
 To happiness and God.

2 Can aught beneath a power divine
 The stubborn will subdue ?
 'Tis Thine, Almighty Saviour, Thine
 To form the heart anew.

3 'Tis Thine the passions to recall,
 And upwards bid them rise ;
 And make the scales of error fall
 From reason's darkened eyes.

4 To chase the shades of death away,
 And bid the sinner live,
 A beam of heaven, a vital ray
 'Tis Thine alone to give.

5 O change these wretched hearts of ours,
 And give them life divine !
 Then shall our passions and our powers,
 Almighty Lord, be Thine.

Anne Steele. 1780.

1 O WHERE shall rest be found,
 Rest for the weary soul ?
 'Twere vain the ocean's depths to sound,
 Or pierce to either pole.
 The world can never give
 The bliss for which we sigh ;
 'Tis not the whole of life to live,
 Nor all of death to die.

2 Beyond this vale of tears
 There is a Life above,
 Unmeasured by the flight of years ;
 And all that Life is love.
 There is a Death, whose pang
 Outlasts the fleeting breath ;
 O what eternal horrors hang
 Around the second death !

3 Lord God of truth and grace,
 Teach us that Death to shun,
 Lest we be banished from Thy face,
 And evermore undone !

Here would we end our quest :
 Alone are found in Thee
 The Life of perfect love,—the Rest
 Of immortality.

James Montgomery. 1819.

97

L. M.

- 1 IN vain would boasting reason find
 The path to happiness and God ;
 Her weak directions leave the mind
 Bewildered in a doubtful road.
- 2 Jesus, Thy words alone impart
 Eternal life ; on these I live ;
 Here sweeter comforts cheer my heart,
 Than all the powers of nature give.
- 3 Here let my constant feet abide ;
 Thou art the true, the living Way :
 Let Thy good Spirit be my Guide
 To the bright realms of endless day.
- 4 The various forms that men devise,
 To shake my faith with treacherous art,
 I scorn as vanity and lies,
 And bind Thy Gospel to my heart.

From Anne Steele. 1760.

98

C. M.

- 1 IN vain we seek for peace with God
 By methods of our own :
 Jesus, there's nothing but Thy blood
 Can bring us near the throne.
- 2 'Tis Thy atoning Sacrifice
 Hath answered all demands ;
 And peace and pardon from the skies
 Are blessings from Thy hands.

3 'Tis by Thy Death we live, O Lord ;
 'Tis on Thy Cross we rest :
 For ever be Thy Love adored,
 Thy Name for ever blest.

Watts. 1721.

99

C. M.

1 **L**ORD, we confess our numerous faults,
 How great our guilt has been :
 Foolish and vain were all our thoughts,
 And all our lives were sin.

2 But, O my soul, for ever praise,
 For ever love His Name,
 Who turns thy feet from dangerous ways
 Of folly, sin, and shame.

3 'Tis not by works of righteousness
 Which our own hands have done ;
 But we are saved by sovereign grace
 Abounding through His Son.

4 'Tis from the mercy of our God
 That all our hopes begin ;
 'Tis by the Water and the Blood
 Our souls are washed from sin.

5 'Tis through the purchase of His Death
 Who hung upon the Tree,
 The Spirit is sent down to breathe
 On such dry bones as we.

6 Raised from the dead we live anew ;
 And justified by grace,
 We shall appear in glory too,
 And see our Father's face.

Watts. 1703.

100

PSALM 136.

L. M.

1 **G**IVE to our God immortal praise !
 Mercy and truth are all His ways.
 Wonders of grace to God belong :
 Repeat His mercies in your song.

- 2 Give to the Lord of lords renown,
The King of kings with glory crown.
His mercies ever shall endure,
When lords and kings are known no more.
- 3 He sent His Son with power to save
From guilt and darkness and the grave.
Wonders of grace to God belong :
Repeat His mercies in your song.
- 4 Through this vain world He guides our feet,
And leads us to His heavenly seat.
His mercies ever shall endure,
When this vain world shall be no more.

Watts. 1719.

101

C. M.

- 1 FATHER, how wide Thy glory shines !
How high Thy wonders rise !
Known through the earth by thousand signs,
By thousands through the skies.
- 2 Those mighty orbs proclaim Thy power,
Their motions speak Thy skill ;
And on the wings of every hour
We read Thy patience still.
- 3 But when we view Thy strange design
To save rebellious worms,
Where justice and compassion join
In their divinest forms ;
- 4 Our thoughts are lost in reverent awe :
We love and we adore ;
The first archangel never saw
So much of God before.
- 5 When sinners break the Father's laws,
The dying Son atones ;
Oh, the dear mysteries of His Cross !
The triumph of His groans !

Watts. 1705.

102

S. M.

1 GRACE! 'tis a charming sound,
Harmonious to the ear!
Heaven with the echo shall resound,
And all the earth shall hear.

2 Grace first contrived the way
To save rebellious man;
And all the steps that Grace display
Which drew the wondrous plan.

3 Grace taught my roving feet
To tread the heavenly road;
And new supplies each hour I meet,
While pressing on to God.

4 Grace all the work shall crown,
Through everlasting days;
It lays in heaven the topmost stone,
And well deserves the praise.

Doddridge. 1755. a.

103

C. M.

1 O THAT I had an angel's tongue,
That I might loudly sing
The wonders of redeeming Love,
To Thee, my God and King!

2 Let the redeeméd of the Lord
Their thankful voices raise:
Can we be dumb whilst angels sing
Our great Redeemer's praise?

3 O sing aloud in boundless grace,
Which thus hath set thee free;
Extol with songs, my savéd soul,
Thy Saviour's Love to thee.

4 Give endless thanks to God, and say,
What Love was this in Thee,
That Thou hast not withheld Thy Son,
Thine only Son, from me!

5 Thy deep and glorious counsels, Lord,
 With trembling I adore :
 Blessed, thrice blessed be my God,
 Blessed for evermore.

John Mason. 1683. a. .

104

C. M.

1 **W**HAT are the heavens, O God of heaven ?
 Thou art more bright, more high :
 What are bright stars, and brighter saints,
 To Thy bright majesty ?

2 Thou'rt far above the songs of heaven,
 Sung by the holy ones ;
 And dost Thou stoop and bow Thine ear
 To a poor sinner's groans ?

3 My precious Saviour's guiltless Blood
 First washed away my sin,
 And Thy Eternal Spirit was
 My Advocate within.

4 It could not be that Thou should'st hear
 A mortal, sinful worm ;
 But that my prayers presented are
 In a most glorious form.

5 Thou heard'st my prayer for Jesus' sake,
 Whom Thou dost hear always :
 Lord, hear through that prevailing Name
 My voice of joy and praise.

John Mason. 1683. a.

105

C. M.

1 **A**LL that I was, my sin, my guilt,
 My death, was all my own ;
 All that I am, I owe to Thee,
 My gracious God, alone.

2 The evil of my former state
 Was mine, and only mine ;
 The good in which I now rejoice
 Is Thine, and only Thine.

3 The darkness of my former state,
 The bondage, all was mine ;
 The light of life in which I walk,
 The liberty, is Thine.

4 Thy grace first made me feel my sin,
 It taught me to believe ;
 Then in believing, peace I found,
 And now I live, I live.

5 All that I am, even here on earth,
 All that I hope to be
 When Jesus comes and glory dawns,
 I owe it, Lord, to Thee.

Horatius Bonar. 1853.

106

C. M.

1 I HEARD the voice of Jesus say,
 Come unto me and rest ;
 Lay down, thou weary one, lay down
 Thy head upon my breast.
 I came to Jesus as I was,
 Weary, and worn, and sad ;
 I found in Him a resting-place,
 And He has made me glad.

2 I heard the voice of Jesus say,
 Behold, I freely give
 The living water ; thirsty one,
 Stoop down, and drink, and live.
 I came to Jesus and I drank
 Of that life-giving stream ;
 My thirst was quenched, my soul revived,
 And now I live in Him.

3 I heard the voice of Jesus say,
 I am this dark world's Light ;
 Look unto Me, thy morn shall rise,
 And all thy day be bright.

I looked to Jesus, and I found
 In Him, my Star, my Sun ;
 And in that Light of life I'll walk,
 Till travelling days are done.

Horatius Bonar. 1856.

107

S. M.

- 1 I WAS a wandering sheep,
 I did not love the fold ;
 I did not love my Shepherd's voice,
 I would not be controlled.
 I was a wayward child,
 I did not love my home ;
 I did not love my Father's voice,
 I loved afar to roam.
- 2 The Shepherd sought His sheep,
 The Father sought His child ;
 They followed me o'er vale and hill,
 O'er deserts waste and wild ;
 They found me nigh to death,
 Famished, and faint, and lone ;
 They bound me with the bands of love,
 They saved the wandering one.
- 3 Jesus my Shepherd is,
 'Twas He that loved my soul,
 'Twas He that washed me in His Blood,
 'Twas He that made me whole.
 'Twas He that sought the lost,
 That found the wandering sheep ;
 'Twas He that brought me to the fold,
 'Tis He that still doth keep.
- 4 I was a wandering sheep,
 I would not be controlled ;
 But now I love my Shepherd's voice,
 I love, I love the fold !

I was a wayward child,
 I once preferred to roam ;
 But now I love my Father's voice,
 I love, I love His home.

Horatius Bonar. 1853.

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8, 7.

1 **L**ORD, with glowing heart I'd praise Thee
 For the bliss Thy love bestows,
 For the pardoning grace that saves me,
 And the peace that from it flows.
 Help, O God, my weak endeavor ;
 This dull soul to rapture raise :
 Thou must light the flame, or never
 Can my love be warmed to praise.

2 Praise, my soul, the God that sought thee,
 Wretched wanderer, far astray ;
 Found thee lost, and kindly brought thee
 From the paths of death away.
 Praise, with love's devoutest feeling,
 Him who saw thy guilt-born fear,
 And the light of hope revealing,
 Bade the blood-stained Cross appear.

3 Lord, this bosom's ardent feeling
 Vainly would my lips express :
 Low before Thy footstool kneeling,
 Deign Thy suppliant's prayer to bless.
 Let Thy grace, my soul's chief treasure,
 Love's pure flame within me raise :
 And, since words can never measure,
 Let my life show forth Thy praise.

Francis Scott Key. 1826.

109

Christi Blut und Gerechtigkeit.

L. M.

1 **L**ORD, I believe were sinners more
 Than sands upon the ocean shore,
 For all Thou hast the ransom given,
 Purchased for all peace, life, and heaven.

2 Lord, I believe the price is paid
For every soul, the Atonement made ;
And every soul Thy grace may prove,
Loved with an everlasting Love.

3 Jesus, be endless praise to Thee,
Whose boundless mercy hath for me,
For me, and all Thine hands have made,
An everlasting ransom paid.

4 Ah, give to all Thy servants, Lord,
With power to speak Thy quickening Word,
That sinners to Thy wounds may flee,
And find eternal life in Thee.

5 Thou God of power, Thou God of love,
Let the whole world Thy mercy prove :
Now let Thy Word o'er all prevail ;
Now take the spoils of death and hell.

*Nicholas Louis, Count Zinzendorf. 1739.
John Wesley, Tr. 1740.*

ADVENT.

110

*Instantis Adventum Dei.**S. M.*

1 **T**HE Advent of our God
Our prayers must now employ,
And we must meet Him on His road
With hymns of holy joy.

2 The everlasting Son
Incarnate deigns to be :
Himself a servant's form puts on,
To set His people free.

3 Daughter of Zion, rise
And greet thy lowly King,
And do not wickedly despise
The mercies He will bring.

4 As judge, in clouds of light,
 He will come down again,
 And all His scattered saints unite
 With Him in Heaven to reign.

5 Before that dreadful day
 May all our sins be gone ;
 May the old man be put away,
 And the new man put on !

6 Praise to the Saviour Son
 From all the angel host :
 Like praise be to the Father done,
 And to the Holy Ghost.

John Chandler. 1837. a.

111

Jordanis oras prævia.

L. M.

1 ON Jordan's banks the Herald's cry
 Announces that the Lord is nigh :
 Come then and hearken, for he brings
 Glad tidings from the King of kings.

2 Then cleansed be every breast from sin,
 Make straight the way for God within
 And let us all our hearts prepare
 For Christ to come and enter there.

3 For Thou art our Salvation, Lord,
 Our Refuge and our great Reward.
 Without Thy grace our life must fade,
 And wither like a flower decayed.

4 Stretch forth Thy hand, to health restore,
 And make us rise, to fall no more :
 Once more upon Thy people shine,
 And fill the world with love divine.

5 To Him who left the throne of heaven
 To save mankind, all praise be given :
 Like praise be to the Father done,
 And Holy Spirit Three in One.

John Chandler. 1837. a.

112

*Veni, veni, Emmanuel.***L. M.**

1 O COME, O come, Emmanuel,
And ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here,
Until the Son of God appear.
[Rejoice! rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel!]

2 O come, Thou Rod of Jesse, free
Thine own from Satan's tyranny ;
From depths of hell Thy people save,
And give them victory o'er the grave.
[Rejoice! rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel!]

3 O come, Thou Day-Spring, come and cheer
Our spirits by Thine Advent here :
And drive away the shades of night,
And pierce the clouds, and bring us light !
[Rejoice! rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel!]

4 O come, Thou Key of David, come,
And open wide, our heavenly home :
Make safe the way that leads on high,
And close the path to misery.
[Rejoice! rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel!]

From John Mason Neale. 1851.

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*En clara vox redarguit.***8, 7.**

1 HARK! an awful voice is sounding:
“Christ is nigh!” it seems to say ;
“Cast away the dreams of darkness,
O ye children of the day!”

2 Startled at the solemn warning,
Let the earth-bound soul arise ;
Christ, her Sun, all sloth dispelling,
Shines upon the morning skies.

3 Lo, the Lamb, so long expected,
Comes with pardon down from heaven.
Let us haste, with tears of sorrow,
One and all, to be forgiven.

4 So, when next He comes with glory,
Wrapping all the earth in fear,
With His mercy He may shield us,
And with words of love draw near.

5 Honor, glory, virtue, merit,
To the Father and the Son,
With the everlasting Spirit,
While eternal ages run.

Edward Caswall. 1848. a.

114

Wie soll ich Dich empfangen.

7, 6.

1 O HOW shall I receive Thee,
How greet Thee, Lord, aright ?
All nations long to see Thee,
My hope, my heart's delight !
O kindle, Lord, most holy,
Thy lamp within my breast,
To do in spirit lowly
All that may please Thee best.

2 Thy Zion palms is strewing,
And branches fresh and fair ;
My heart, its powers renewing,
An anthem shall prepare.
My soul puts off her sadness
Thy glories to proclaim ;
With all her strength and gladness
She fain would serve Thy Name.

3 I lay in fetters groaning,
Thou comest to set me free !
I stood, my shame bemoaning,
Thou comest to honor me !

A glory Thou dost give me,
 A treasure safe on high,
 That will not fail nor leave me
 As earthly riches fly.

4 Love caused Thy Incarnation,
 Love brought Thee down to me.
 Thy thirst for my salvation
 Procured my liberty.
 O Love beyond all telling,
 That led Thee to embrace,
 In love all love excelling,
 Our lost and fallen race !

5 Rejoice then, ye sad-hearted,
 Who sit in deepest gloom,
 Who mourn o'er joys departed,
 And tremble at your doom :
 He who alone can cheer you,
 Is standing at the door ;
 He brings His pity near you,
 And bids you weep no more.

Paul Gerhardt. 1653.

Seaton's Leeds Church H. B., Tr. 1859.

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Auf, auf, ihr Reichsgenossen.

C. M.

1 **A** RISE, the kingdom is at hand,
 The King is drawing nigh ;
 Arise with joy, thou faithful band,
 To meet the Lord most high !

2 Look up, ye souls weighed down with care,
 The Sovereign is not far ;
 Look up, faint hearts, from your despair,
 Behold the morning star !

3 Look up, ye drooping hearts, to-day !
 The King is very near :
 O cast your griefs and fears away,
 For lo, your Help is here !

4 Hope, O ye broken hearts, at last !
 The King comes on in might ;
 He loved us in the ages past,
 When we lay wrapt in night :

5 Now fear and wrath to joy give place,
 Now are our sorrows o'er,
 Since God hath made us in His grace
 His children evermore.

6 O rich the gifts Thou bringest us,
 Thyself made poor and weak ;
 O Love beyond compare that thus
 Can foes and sinners seek !

7 For this we raise a gladsome voice
 On high to Thee alone,
 And evermore with thanks rejoice
 Before Thy glorious throne.

John Rist. 1651.

From Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1858.

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Ermuntert euch, ihr Frommen.

7, 6.

1 R EJOICE, all ye believers,
 And let your lights appear !
 The evening is advancing,
 And darker night is near.
 The Bridegroom is arising,
 And soon He draweth nigh.
 Up ! pray, and watch, and wrestle—
 At midnight comes the cry !

2 The watchers on the mountain
 Proclaim the Bridegroom near ;
 Go meet Him as He cometh,
 With hallelujahs clear.
 The marriage-feast is waiting,
 The gates wide-open stand ;
 Up, up, ye heirs of glory ;
 The Bridegroom is at hand !

3 Ye saints, who here in patience
 Your cross and sufferings bore,
 Shall live and reign for ever,
 When sorrow is no more.
 Around the throne of glory
 The Lamb ye shall behold,
 In triumph cast before Him
 Your diadems of gold !

4 Our Hope and Expectation,
 O Jesus, now appear ;
 Arise, Thou Sun so longed for,
 O'er this benighted sphere !
 With hearts and hands uplifted,
 We plead, O Lord, to see
 The day of earth's redemption,
 That brings us unto Thee !

*Laurentius Laurenti. 1700.
 Jane Borthwick, Tr. 1853.*

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Macht hoch die Thür.

1 LIFT up your heads, ye mighty gates !
 Behold the King of glory waits ;
 The King of kings is drawing near,
 The Saviour of the world is here ;
 Life and salvation He doth bring,
 Wherefore rejoice, and gladly sing :
 We praise Thee, Father, now,
 Creator, wise art Thou !

2 The Lord is just, a Helper tried,
 Mercy is ever at His side ;
 His kingly crown is holiness,
 His sceptre, pity in distress,
 The end of all our woe He brings ;
 Wherefore the earth is glad and sings :
 We praise Thee, Saviour, now,
 Mighty in deed art Thou !

3 O blest the land, the city blest,
 Where Christ the Ruler is confest !
 O happy hearts and happy homes
 To whom this King in triumph comes !
 The cloudless Sun of joy He is,
 Who bringeth pure delight and bliss :
 O Comforter Divine,
 What boundless grace is Thine !

PART II.

4 Fling wide the portals of your heart ;
 Make it a temple, set apart
 From earthly use for heaven's employ,
 Adorned with prayer, and love, and joy ;
 So shall your Sovereign enter in,
 And new and nobler life begin :
 To Thee, O God, be praise,
 For word and deed and grace !

5 Redeemer, come ! I open wide
 My heart to Thee ; here, Lord, abide !
 Let me Thy inner presence feel,
 Thy grace and love in me reveal ;
 Thy Holy Spirit guide us on,
 Until our glorious goal be won !
 Eternal praise and fame
 We offer to Thy name.

*George Weissel. 1630.
 Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1855 a*

Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland.

7s.

1 COME, Thou Saviour of our race,
 Choicest Gift of heavenly grace !
 O Thou blessed Virgin's Son,
 Be Thy race on earth begun.

2 Not of mortal blood or birth,
 He descends from heaven to earth .
 By the Holy Ghost conceived,
 Truly man to be believed,

3 Wondrous birth ! O wondrous Child !
Of the Virgin, undefiled !
Though by all the world disowned,
Still to be in heaven enthroned.

4 From the Father forth He came,
And returneth to the same ;
Captive leading death and hell,—
High the song of triumph swell.

5 Equal to the Father now,
Though to dust Thou once didst bow ;
Boundless shall Thy kingdom be ;
When shall we its glories see ?

6 Brightly doth Thy manger shine !
Glorious is its light divine :
Let not sin o'ercloud this light,
Ever be our faith thus bright.

*Ambrose. d. 397.**Martin Luther. 1524.**William M. Reynolds, Tr. 1850.*

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Tröstet, tröstet, Meine Lieben. 8, 7, 7, 8.

1 COMFORT, comfort ye my people,
C Speak ye peace, thus saith our God ;
Comfort those who sit in darkness,
Mourning 'neath their sorrows' load ;
Speak ye to Jerusalem
Of the peace that waits for them ;
Tell her that her sins I cover,
And her warfare now is over.

2 For the Herald's voice is crying
In the desert far and near,
Bidding all men to repentance,
Since the kingdom now is here.
O, that warning cry obey !
Now prepare for God a way !
Let the valleys rise to meet him,
And the hills bow down to greet Him.

3 Make ye straight what long was crooked,
 Make the rougher places plain :
 Let your hearts be true and humble,
 As befits His holy reign ;
 For the glory of the Lord
 Now o'er earth is shed abroad,
 And all flesh shall see the token,
 That His Word is never broken.

*John Olearius (Oelschlaeger.) 1671.
 Miss Cath. Winkworth, Tr. 1862.*

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Gott sey Dank durch alle Welt.

7s.

1 **L**ET the earth now praise the Lord,
 Who hath truly kept His word,
 And the sinner's Help and Friend
 Now at last to us doth send.

2 What the fathers most desired,
 What the prophets' heart inspired,
 What they longed for many a year,
 Stands fulfilled in glory here.

3 Abram's promised great reward,
 Zion's Helper, Jacob's Lord,
 Him of twofold race behold,
 Truly come, as long foretold.

4 Welcome, O my Saviour, now !
 Hail ! my Portion, Lord, art Thou !
 Here too in my heart, I pray,—
 O prepare Thyself a way.

5 And when Thou dost come again,
 As a glorious King to reign,
 I with joy may see Thy face,
 Freely ransomed by Thy grace.

*Henry Held, d. 1643.
 Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1862.*

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*Gottes Sohn ist kommen.*Trochaic. **6s.**

- 1 **O**NCE He came in blessing,
All our ills redressing,
Came in likeness lowly,
Son of God most holy ;
Bore the Cross to save us,
Hope and freedom gave us.
- 2 Still He comes within us,
Still His voice would win us
From the sins that hurt us ;
Would to Truth convert us
From our foolish errors,
Ere He comes in terrors.
- 3 Thus if thou hast known Him,
Not ashamed to own Him,
Nor dost love Him coldly,
But will trust Him boldly,
He will now receive thee,
Heal thee, and forgive thee.
- 4 He who well endureth,
Bright reward secureth ;
Come then, O Lord Jesus,
From our sins release us ;
Let us here confess Thee,
Till in heaven we bless Thee.

*Michael Weiss. 1531
Miss Winkworth, Tr 1862. a.*

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PSALM 72.

7, 6.

- 1 **H**AIL to the Lord's Anointed,
Great David's greater Son !
Hail, in the time appointed,
His reign on earth begun !

He comes to break oppression,
 To set the captive free ;
 To take away transgression,
 And rule in equity.

2 He comes with succor speedy
 To those who suffer wrong ;
 To help the poor and needy,
 And bid the weak be strong ;
 To give them songs for sighing ;
 Their darkness turn to light,
 Whose souls, condemned and dying,
 Were precious in His sight.

3 He shall come down like showers
 Upon the fruitful earth ;
 And love, joy, hope, like flowers,
 Spring in His path to birth.
 Before Him, on the mountains,
 Shall peace, the herald, go ;
 And righteousness, in fountains,
 From hill to valley flow.

4 For Him shall prayer unceasing
 And daily vows ascend ;
 His kingdom still increasing,
 A kingdom without end.
 The tide of time shall never
 His covenant remove ;
 His Name shall stand for ever ;
 That Name to us is Love.

James Montgomery. 1822.

123

C. M.

1 **H**ARK, the glad sound, the Saviour comes,
 The Saviour promised long !
 Let every heart prepare a throne,
 And every voice a song.

- 2 On Him the Spirit, largely poured,
Exerts His sacred fire ;
Wisdom and might, and zeal and love,
His holy breast inspire.
- 3 He comes the prisoners to release,
In Satan's bondage held :
The gates of brass before Him burst,
The iron fetters yield.
- 4 He comes from thickest films of vice
To clear the mental ray,
And on the eyeballs of the blind
To pour celestial day.
- 5 He comes, the broken heart to bind,
The bleeding soul to cure,
And with the treasures of His grace
To enrich the humble poor.
- 6 Our glad hosannahs, Prince of Peace !
Thy welcome shall proclaim ;
And heaven's eternal arches ring
With Thy belovèd Name.

Doddridge. 1755.

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C. M.

- 1 O VERY God of very God,
And very Light of Light,
Whose feet this earth's dark valley trod,
That so it might be bright :
- 2 Our hopes are weak, our foes are strong,
Thick darkness binds our eyes ;
Cold is the night, and oh, we long
That Thou, our Sun, wouldest rise !
- 3 And even now, though dull and gray,
The east is brightening fast,
And kindling to the perfect Day
That never shall be past.

4 O guide us till our path be done,
 And we have reached the shore
 Where Thou, our everlasting Sun,
 Art shining evermore !

5 We wait in faith, and turn our face
 To where the daylight springs,
 Till Thou shalt come our gloom to chase,
 With healing on Thy wings.

6 To God the Father, power and might
 Both now and ever be ;
 To Him that is the Light of Light,
 And, Holy Ghost, to Thee.

John Mason Neale. 1844.

125

s. 7.

1 **L**IGHT of those whose dreary dwelling
 Borders on the shades of death,
 Come, and by Thy Love's revealing,
 Dissipate the clouds beneath.

2 Thou, new heaven and earth's Creator,
 In our deepest darkness rise ;
 Scattering all the night of nature,
 Pouring eyesight on our eyes.

3 Still we wait for Thine appearing ;
 Life and joy Thy beams impart,
 Chasing all our fears, and cheering
 Every poor, benighted heart.

4 Come, and manifest the favor
 God hath for our ransomed race ;
 Come, Thou mighty Prince and Saviour,
 Come, and bring the Gospel grace.

5 By Thine all-restoring merit,
 Every burdened soul release ;
 Every weary, wandering spirit
 Guide into Thy perfect peace.

C. Wesley. 1745. a.

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8, 7.

1 COME, Thou long-expected Jesus,
 Born to set Thy people free ;
 From our fears and sins release us,
 Let us find our rest in Thee.
 Israel's Strength and Consolation,
 Hope of all the earth Thou art ;
 Dear Desire of every nation,
 Joy of every longing heart.

2 Born Thy people to deliver ;
 Born a Child, and yet a King ;
 Born to reign in us for ever,
 Now Thy gracious kingdom bring.
 By Thine own eternal Spirit,
 Rule in all our hearts alone ;
 By Thine all-sufficient merit,
 Raise us to Thy glorious throne.

C. Wesley. 1745.

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CHRISTMAS.

127

8, 7.

1 HARK ! what mean those holy voices
 Sweetly sounding through the skies ?
 Lo ! the angelic host rejoices ;
 Heavenly hallelujahs rise.

2 Listen to the wondrous story,
 Which they chant in hymns of joy :
 “ Glory in the highest, glory !
 Glory be to God most high !

3 “ Peace on earth, good-will from heaven,
 Reaching far as man is found ;
 Souls redeemed, and sins forgiven ;
 Loud our golden harps shall sound.

4 "Christ is born, the great Anointed ;
Heaven and earth. His praises sing !
O receive whom God appointed
For your Prophet, Priest, and King.

5 "Hasten, mortals, to adore Him ;
Learn His Name, and taste His joy ;
Till in Heaven ye sing before Him,
Glory be to God most high !"

6 Let us learn the wondrous story
Of our great Redeemer's birth ;
Spread the brightness of His glory,
Till it cover all the earth.

John Cawood. 1814. a.

128

7s.

1 **H**ARK ! the herald-angels sing,
"Glory to the new-born King ;
Peace on earth, and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled !"

2 Joyful, all ye nations, rise,
Join the triumph of the skies ;
Universal nature say,
Christ the Lord is born to-day !

3 Christ, by highest heaven adored,
Christ, the everlasting Lord :
Late in time behold Him come,
Offspring of a virgin's womb !

4 Veiled in flesh, the Godhead see,
Hail the incarnate Deity !
Pleased as Man with men to appear,
Jesus, our Immanuel here !

5 Hail, the heavenly Prince of Peace,
Hail, the Sun of Righteousness !
Light and life to all He brings,
Risen with healing in His wings.

6 Mild He lays His glory by,
 Born that man no more may die ;
 Born to raise the sons of earth ;
 Born to give them second birth.

7 Come, Desire of nations, come,
 Fix in us Thy humble home ;
 O, to all Thyself impart,
 Formed in each believing heart !

C. Wesley. 1739. a.

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Adeste Fideles.

11s.

1 COME hither, ye faithful, triumphantly sing :
 Come see in the manger the angels' dread King !
 To Bethlehem hasten, with joyful accord ;
 O come ye, come hither, to worship the Lord !

2 True Son of the Father, He comes from the skies ;
 To be born of a Virgin He does not despise :
 To Bethlehem hasten, with joyful accord ;
 O come ye, come hither, to worship the Lord !

3 Hark, hark to the angels, all singing in heaven,
 "To God in the highest all glory be given!"
 To Bethlehem hasten, with joyful accord ;
 O come ye, come hither, to worship the Lord !

4 To Thee, then, O Jesus, this day of Thy birth,
 Be glory and honor through heaven and earth.
 True Godhead incarnate, omnipotent Word !
 O come, let us hasten to worship the Lord !

Edward Caswall. 1848. a.

130

7, 6.

1 A GREAT and mighty wonder
 Our Christmas Festal brings
 On earth, a lowly Infant,
 Behold the King of kings !

- 2 The Word is made incarnate,
 Descending from on high;
 And cherubim sing anthems
 To shepherds, from the sky.
- 3 And we with them triumphant,
 Repeat the hymn again:
 “To God on high be glory,
 And peace on earth to men!”
- 4 Since all He comes to ransom,
 By all be He adored,
 The Infant born in Bethlehem,
 The Saviour and the Lord!
- 5 And idol forms shall perish,
 And error shall decay,
 And Christ shall wield His sceptre,
 Our Lord and God for aye.

Anatolius. ab. 450.

John Mason Neale, Tr. 1862. a.

131

Vom Himmel hoch da komm ich her.

L. M.

- 1 **G**OOD news from heaven the angels bring,
 Glad tidings to the earth they sing:
 To us this day a Child is given,
 To crown us with the joy of heaven.
- 2 This is the Christ, our God and Lord,
 Who in all need shall aid afford;
 He will Himself our Saviour be,
 From all our sins to set us free.
- 3 To us that blessedness He brings,
 Which from the Father's bounty springs:
 That in the heavenly realm we may
 With Him enjoy eternal day
- 4 All hail, Thou noble Guest, this morn,
 Whose Love did not the sinner scorn:
 In my distress Thou comest to me;
 What thanks shall I return to Thee?

5 Were earth a thousand times as fair,
Beset with gold and jewels rare,
She yet were far too poor to be
A narrow cradle, Lord, for Thee.

6 Ah, dearest Jesus, holy Child,
Make Thee a bed, soft, undefiled,
Within my heart, that it may be
A quiet chamber kept for Thee.

7 Praise God upon His heavenly throne,
Who gave to us His only Son :
For this His hosts, on joyful wing,
A blest New Year of mercy sing.

Martin Luther. 1535.

*From Arthur Tozer Russell, Tr. 1848.
And Miss Winkworth. 1855*

132 *Freut euch, ihr lieben Christen.* **7, 6.**

1 R EJOICE, rejoice, ye Christians,
With all your hearts, this morn !
O hear the blessed tidings,
“ The Lord, the Christ, is born,”
Now brought us by the angels
That stand about God’s throne ;
O lovely are the voices
That make such tidings known !

2 O hearken to their singing !
This Child shall be your Friend ;
The Father so hath willed it,
That thus your woes should end.
The Son is freely given,
That in Him ye may have
The Father’s grace and blessing,
And know He loves to save.

3 Nor deem the form too lowly
That clothes Him at this hour ;
For know ye what it hideth ?
’Tis God’s almighty power.

Though now within the manger
 So poor and weak He lies,
 He is the Lord of all things,
 He reigns above the skies.

4 Sin, death, and hell, and Satan
 Have lost the victory ;
 This Child shall overthrow them,
 As ye shall surely see.
 Their wrath shall naught avail them ;
 Fear not, their reign is o'er ;
 This Child shall overthrow them,—
 O hear, and doubt no more !

Unknown.

Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1862.

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Wir singen Dir, Immanuel.

L. M.

1 EMMANUEL ! we sing Thy praise,
 E Thou Prince of Life ! Thou Fount of Grace !
 With all Thy saints, Thee, Lord, we sing ;
 Praise, honor, thanks, to Thee we bring !

2 E'er since the world began to be,
 How many a heart hath longed for Thee !
 And Thou, O long-expected Guest,
 Hast come at last to make us blest !

3 Now art Thou here : we know Thee now ;
 In lowly manger liest Thou :
 A Child, yet makest all things great ;
 Poor, yet is earth Thy robe of state.

4 Now fearless I can look on Thee :
 From sin and grief Thou set'st me free :
 Thou bearest wrath, Thou conquerest death,
 Fear turns to joy Thy glance beneath.

5 Thou art my Head, my Lord divine :
 I am Thy member, wholly Thine ;
 And in Thy Spirit's strength would still
 Serve Thee according to Thy will.

6 Thus will I sing Thy praises here,
 With joyful spirit year by year :
 And they shall sound before Thy throne,
 Where time nor number more is known.

Paul Gerhardt, 1656.

From Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1855.

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PSALM 98.

C. M.

1 JOY to the world ; the Lord is come !
 Let earth receive her King.
 Let every heart prepare Him room,
 And heaven and nature sing.

2 Joy to the earth ; the Saviour reigns !
 Let men their songs employ ;
 While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains,
 Repeat the sounding joy.

3 No more let sins and sorrows grow,
 Nor thorns infest the ground.
 He comes to make His blessings flow
 Far as the curse is found.

4 He rules the world with truth and grace,
 And makes the nations prove
 The glories of His Righteousness,
 And wonders of His Love.

Watts. 1719.

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Du wesentliches Wort.

S. M.

1 O SAVIOUR of our race,
 Welcome indeed Thou art,
 Blessed Redeemer, Fount of grace,
 To this my longing heart !

2 Light of the world, abide
 Through faith within my heart ;
 Leave me to seek no other guide,
 Nor e'er from Thee depart.

3 Thou art the Life, O Lord !
 Sole Light of life Thou art !
 Let not Thy glorious rays be poured
 In vain on my dark heart.

4 Star of the East, arise !
 Drive all my clouds away ;
 Guide me till earth's dim twilight dies
 Into the perfect day.

*Laurentius Laurenti. 1700.
 From Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1855.*

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 NEW YEAR.

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Our Lord's Circumcision.

S. M.

1 THE year begins with Thee,
 And Thou begin'st with woe,
 To let the world of sinners see
 That blood for sin must flow.

2 Am I a child of tears,
 Cradled in care and woe ?
 And seems it hard my vernal years
 Few vernal joys can show ?

3 I look, and hold my peace :
 The Giver of all good
 Even from the womb takes no release
 From suffering, tears, and blood.

4 That I may reap in love,.
 Help me to sow in fear :
 So life a winter's morn may prove
 To a bright endless year.

John Keble. 1827. a.

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L. M.

1 G REAT God ! we sing that mighty Hand,
 By which supported still we stand :
 The opening year Thy mercy shows ;
 Let mercy crown it, till it close.

- 2 By day, by night, at home, abroad,
Still we are guarded by our God ;
By His incessant bounty fed,
By His unerring counsel led.
- 3 With grateful hearts the past we own ;
The future, all to us unknown,
We to Thy guardian care commit,
And, peaceful, leave before Thy feet.
- 4 In scenes exalted or deprest,
Be Thou our joy, and Thou our rest ;
Thy goodness all our hopes shall raise,
Adored through all our changing days.
- 5 When death shall interrupt our songs,
And seal in silence mortal tongues ;
Our Helper God, in whom we trust,
In better worlds our souls shall boast.

Doddridge. 1755.

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7s.

- 1 FOR Thy mercy and Thy grace,
Faithful through another year,
Hear our song of thankfulness ;
Father and Redeemer, hear.
- 2 In our weakness and distress,
Rock of strength ! be Thou our Stay :
In the pathless wilderness,
Be our true and living Way.
- 3 Who of us death's awful road
In the coming year shall tread ?
With Thy rod and staff, O God,
Comfort Thou his dying head.

4 Keep us faithful; keep us pure :
 Keep us evermore Thine own :
 Help, O help us to endure :
 Fit us for the promised crown.

5 So within Thy palace gate
 We shall praise, on golden strings,
 Thee, the only Potentate,
 Lord of lords, and King of kings.

Henry Downton. 1851.

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7s.

1 WHILE with ceaseless course the sun
 Hasted through the former year,
 Many souls their race have run,
 Never more to meet us here ;
 Fixed in an eternal state,
 They have done with all below ;
 We a little longer wait,
 But how little, none can know.

2 As the wingéd arrow flies
 Speedily, the mark to find ;
 As the lightning from the skies
 Darts, and leaves no trace behind ;
 Swiftly thus our fleeting days
 Bear us down life's rapid stream :
 Upward, Lord, our spirits raise ;
 All below is but a dream.

3 Thanks for mercies past receive,
 Pardon of our sins renew ;
 Teach us henceforth how to live
 With eternity in view.
 Bless Thy Word to young and old,
 Fill us with a Saviour's love ;
 And when life's short tale is told,
 May we dwell with Thee above.

John Newton. 1779.

EPIPHANY.

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7s.

- 1 **A**S with gladness men of old
Did the guiding star behold ;
As with joy they hailed its light,
Leading onward, beaming bright :
So, most gracious God, may we
Evermore be led by Thee.
- 2 As with joyful steps they sped
To that lonely manger-bed,
There to bend the knee before
Him whom heaven and earth adore ;
So may we, with willing feet
Ever seek Thy mercy-seat.
- 3 As they offered gifts most rare
At that manger rude and bare ;
So may we, with holy joy,
Pure, and free from sin's alloy,
All our costliest treasures bring,
Christ, to Thee, our heavenly King.
- 4 Holy Jesus ! every day
Keep us in the narrow way ;
And, when earthly things are past,
Bring our ransomed souls at last
Where they need no star to guide,
Where no clouds Thy glory hide.
- 5 In the heavenly country bright
Need they no created light :
Thou its Light, its Joy, its Crown,
Thou its Sun which goes not down ;
There for ever may we sing
Hallelujahs to our King.

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7s.

- 1 SONS of men, behold from far,
Hail the long-expected star!
Jacob's star that gilds the night,
Guides bewildered nature right.
- 2 Fear not hence that ill should flow,
Wars or pestilence below ;
Wars it bids and tumults cease,
Ushering in the Prince of Peace.
- 3 Mild He shines on all beneath,
Piercing through the shade of death ;
Scattering error's wide-spread night,
Kindling darkness into light.
- 4 Nations all, far off and near,
Haste to see your God appear !
Haste, for Him your hearts prepare,
Meet Him manifested there.
- 5 Here behold the Dayspring rise,
Pouring eyesight on your eyes :
God in His own light survey,
Shining to the perfect day.
- 6 Sing, ye morning stars, again !
God descends on earth to reign ;
Deigns for man His life to employ :
Shout, ye sons of God, for joy.

C. Wesley. 1739.

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8, 7.

- 1 HAIL, Thou Source of every blessing,
Sovereign Father of mankind !
Gentiles now, Thy grace possessing,
In Thy courts admission find.
Grateful now we fall before Thee,
In Thy Church obtain a place ;
Now by faith behold Thy glory,
Praise Thy truth, adore Thy grace.

2 Once far off, but now invited,
 We approach Thy sacred throne ;
 In Thy covenant united,
 Reconciled, redeemed, made one.
 Now revealed to eastern sages,
 See the star of mercy shine ;
 Mystery hid in former ages,
 Mystery great of love divine.

3 Hail, Thou all-inviting Saviour !
 Gentiles now their offerings bring ;
 In Thy temple seek Thy favor,
 Jesus Christ, our Lord and King.
 May we, body, soul and spirit,
 Live devoted to Thy praise,
 Glorious realms of bliss inherit,
 Grateful anthems ever raise.

Stewart's Percy Chapel Collection. 1813.

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Werde Licht, du Stadt der Heiden.

7, 8, 7.

1 RISE, O Salem, rise and shine ;
 Lo ! the Gentiles hail thy waking ;
 Herald of a morn divine,
 See the dayspring o'er us breaking,
 Telling God hath called to mind
 Those who long in darkness pined.

2 Ah, how blindly did we stray,
 Ere this Sun our earth had brightened ;
 Heaven we sought not, for no ray
 Had our wildered eyes enlightened :
 All our looks were earthward bent,
 All our strength on earth was spent.

3 But the Dayspring from on high
 Hath arisen with beams unclouded,
 And we see before it fly .
 All the heavy gloom that shrouded

This sad earth, where sin and woe
Seemed to reign o'er all below.

4 Thy appearing, Lord, shall fill
 All my thoughts in sorrow's hour ;
Thy appearing, Lord, shall still
 All my dread of death's dark power ;
Whether joy or tears be mine,
 Through them still Thy light shall shine.

5 Let me, when my course is run,
 Calmly leave a world of sadness
For the place that needs no sun,
 For Thou art its light and gladness ;
For the mansions fair and bright,
 Where Thy saints are crowned with light.

John Rist. 1655.

Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1862.

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Herr Jesu, Licht der Heiden.

7, 6.

1 **L**IGHT of the Gentile nations,
 L Thy people's joy and love !
Drawn by Thy Spirit hither,
 We gladly come to prove
Thy presence in Thy temple,
 And wait with earnest mind,
As Simeon once had waited
 His Saviour God to find.

2 Yes, Lord, Thy servants meet Thee,
 Even now, in every place
Where Thy true Word hath promised
 That they should see Thy face.
Thou yet wilt gently grant us,
 Who gather round Thee here,
In faith's strong arms to bear Thee,
 As once that aged seer.

3 Be Thou our Joy, our Brightness,
 That shines mid pain and loss,
 Our Sun in times of terror,
 The glory round our cross :
 A glow in sinking spirits,
 A sunbeam in distress,
 Physician, Friend in sickness,
 In death our happiness.

4 Let us, O Lord, be faithful
 With Simeon to the end,
 That so his dying song may
 From all our hearts ascend :
 “ O Lord, let now Thy servant
 Depart in peace for aye,
 Since I have seen my Saviour,
 Have here beheld His day.”

5 My Saviour, I behold Thee
 Now with the eye of Faith :
 No foe of Thee can rob me,
 Though bitter words he saith.
 Within Thy heart abiding,
 As Thou dost dwell in me,
 No pain, no death has terrors
 To part my soul from Thee !

*John Frank. 1653.
 Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1862.*

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O Jesu Christe, wahres Licht.

L. M.

1 O CHRIST, our true and only Light,
 Illumine those who sit in night ;
 Let those afar now hear Thy voice,
 And in Thy fold with us rejoice.

2 Fill with the radiance of Thy grace
 The souls now lost in error's maze,
 And all, O Lord, whose secret minds,
 Some dark delusion hurts and blinds.

3 And all who else have strayed from Thee,
O gently seek! Thy healing be
To every wounded conscience given,
And let them also share Thy heaven.

4 O make the deaf to hear Thy Word,
And teach the dumb to speak, dear Lord,
Who dare not yet the faith avow,
Though secretly they hold it now.

5 Shine on the darkened and the cold,
Recall the wanderers to Thy fold,
Unite those now who walk apart,
Confirm the weak and doubting heart.

6 So they with us may evermore
Such grace with wondering thanks adore,
And endless praise to Thee be given,
By all Thy Church in earth and heaven.

*John Heermann, 1630.
Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1858 a.*

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H. M.

1 G REAT Father of mankind,
We bless that wondrous grace
Which could for Gentiles find
Within Thy courts a place.
How kind the care | For us to raise
Our God displays, | A house of prayer!

2 Though once estrangéd far,
We now approach the throne;
For Jesus brings us near.
And makes our cause His own:
Strangers no more, | And find our home,
To Thee we come. | And rest secure.

3 To Thee our souls we join.
And love Thy sacred Name;
No more our own, but Thine,
We triumph in Thy claim.

Our Father-King, | Our souls embrace,
Thy covenant grace | Thy titles sing.

4 May all the nations throng
 To worship in Thy house ;
 And Thou attend the song,
 And smile upon their vows ;

Indulgent still, | To join the choir
Till earth conspire | On Zion's hill.

Doddridge. 1755.

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H. M.

1 **A**RISE, O God, and shine,
 In all Thy saving might,
 And prosper each design
 To spread Thy glorious light :
 Let healing streams of mercy flow,
 That all the earth Thy truth may know.

2 Bring distant nations near,
 To sing Thy glorious praise ;
 Let every people hear
 And learn Thy holy ways !

Reign, mighty God, assert Thy cause,
And govern by Thy righteous laws !

3 Put forth Thy glorious power,
 That Gentiles all may see,
 And earth present her store
 In converts born to Thee :

God, our own God, His Church will bless,
And fill the world with righteousness.

4 To God the only wise, -
 The one immortal King,
 Let hallelujahs rise

 From every living thing :
Let all that breathe, on every coast,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

William Hurn. 1813. a.

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*Lux alma Jesu.**S. M.*

1 **L**IGHT of the anxious heart,
Jesus ! Thy suppliants cheer ;
Bid Thou the gloom of guilt depart,
And shed Thy sweetness here.

2 O happy he whose breast
Thou makest Thine abode ;
Sweet light that with the pure wilt rest,
For they shall see their God.

3 Brightness of God above,
Unfathomable grace,
Within our hearts implant Thy Love,
And fix Thy dwelling-place.

4 To lowly minds revealed,
Our Saviour we adore ;
Like tribute to the Father yield
And Spirit, evermore.

From John Henry Newman. 1836.

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*The Presentation in the Temple.**8, 7.*

1 **I**N His temple now behold Him,
See the long-expected Lord ;
Ancient prophets had foretold Him,
God has now fulfilled His Word.
Now to praise Him, His redeemer
Shall break forth with one accord.

2 In the arms of her who bore Him,
Virgin pure, behold Him lie,
While His aged saints adore Him,
Ere in perfect faith they die.
Hallelujah ! Hallelujah !
Lo, the incarnate God most high !

3 Jesus, by Thy Presentation,
 Thou who didst for us endure,
 Make us see our great salvation,
 Seal us with Thy promise sure ;
 And present us, in Thy glory,
 To Thy Father, cleansed and pure.

Sea on's Leeds Church H. B. 1855.

EXAMPLE AND TEACHING OF CHRIST.

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L. M.

1 MY dear Redeemer, and my Lord !
 I read my duty in Thy Word :
 But in Thy life the law appears
 Drawn out in living characters.

2 Such was Thy truth, and such Thy zeal,
 Such deference to Thy Father's will,
 Such love, and meekness so divine,
 I would transcribe and make them mine.

3 Cold mountains and the midnight air
 Witnessed the fervor of Thy prayer :
 The desert Thy temptations knew,
 Thy conflict, and Thy victory too.

4 Be Thou my pattern ; make me bear
 More of Thy gracious image here.
 Then God the Judge shall own my name
 Among the followers of the Lamb.

Watts. 1709.

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C. M.

1 BEHOLD, where in a mortal form
 Appears each grace divine !
 The virtues, all in Jesus met,
 With mildest radiance shine.

- 2 To spread the rays of heavenly light,
To give the mourner joy,
To preach glad tidings to the poor,
Was His divine employ.
- 3 'Midst keen reproach and cruel scorn,
Patient and meek He stood.
His foes, ungrateful, sought His life ;
He labored for their good.
- 4 In the last hour of deep distress,
Before His Father's throne,
With soul resigned He bowed, and said,
" Thy will, not mine, be done ! "
- 5 Be Christ our Pattern and our Guide !
His image may we bear !
O may we tread His holy steps,
His joys and glory share !

William Enfield. 1772. a.

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C. M.

- 1 IN duties and in sufferings too,
Thy path, my Lord, I'd trace ;
As Thou hast done, so would I do,
Depending on Thy grace.
- 2 With earnest zeal, 'twas Thy delight
To do Thy Father's will ;
O may that zeal my love excite
Thy precepts to fulfil !
- 3 Unsullied meekness, truth, and love
Through all Thy conduct shine ;
O may my whole deportment prove
A copy, Lord, of Thine !

Benjamin Beddoe. d. 1799. a.

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C. M.

- 1 O SAVIOUR, whom that holy morn
Gave to our world below,
To mortal want and labor born,
And more than mortal woe !

2 Incarnate Word, by every grief,
 By each temptation tried,
 Who lived to yield our ills relief,
 And to redeem us, died !

3 If gaily clothed and proudly fed,
 In dangerous wealth we dwell,
 Remind us of Thy manger bed,
 And lowly cottage cell.

4 If prest by poverty severe,
 In envious want we pine,
 O may Thy Spirit whisper near,
 How poor a lot was Thine !

5 Through fickle fortune's various scene,
 From sin preserve us free ;
 Like us Thou hast a mourner been,
 May we rejoice with Thee.

Reginald Heber. 1811. a.

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C. M.

1 JESUS ! exalted far on high,
 To whom a Name is given—
 A Name surpassing every name,
 That's known in earth or heaven !

2 Before whose throne shall every knee
 Bow down with one accord ;
 Before whose throne shall every tongue
 Confess that Thou art Lord :

3 Jesus, who in the form of God,
 Didst equal honor claim ;
 Yet, to redeem our guilty souls,
 Didst stoop to death and shame !

4 O may that mind in us be formed,
 Which shone so bright in Thee ;
 An humble, meek, and lowly mind,
 From pride and envy free !

5 May we to others stoop, and learn
 To emulate Thy Love ;
 So shall we bear Thine image here,
 And share Thy throne above.

Thomas Cotterill. 1819.

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S. M.

1 BEHOLD, the Prince of Peace,
 The chosen of the Lord,
 God's well-beloved Son, fulfils
 The sure prophetic Word.

2 No royal pomp adorns
 This King of righteousness :
 Meekness and patience, truth and love,
 Compose His princely dress.

3 Jesus, Thou Light of men !
 Thy doctrine life imparts.

O may we feel its quickening power
 To warm and glad our hearts !

4 Cheered by Thy beams, our souls
 Shall run the heavenly way.
 The path which Thou hast marked and trod
 Shall lead to endless day.

John Needham. 1768. a.

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7s.

1 FEEBLE, helpless, how shall I
 Learn to live and learn to die ?
 Who, O God, my guide shall be ?
 Who shall lead Thy child to Thee ?

2 Blessed Father, gracious One,
 Thou hast sent Thy holy Son ;
 He will give the light I need,
 He my trembling steps will lead.

3 Through this world, uncertain, dim,
 Let me ever lean on Him ;
 From His precepts wisdom draw,
 Make His life my solemn law.

4 Thus in deed, and thought, and word,
 Led by Jesus Christ the Lord,
 In my weakness, thus shall I
 Learn to live and learn to die.

William H. Furness. 1844.

THE PASSION.

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8, 7.

1 **I**N the Cross of Christ I glory,
 Towering o'er the wrecks of time ;
 All the light of sacred story
 Gathers round its head sublime.

2 When the woes of life o'ertake me,
 Hopes deceive, and fears annoy,
 Never shall the Cross forsake me ;
 Lo ! it glows with peace and joy.

3 When the sun of bliss is beaming
 Light and love upon my way,
 From the Cross the radiance streaming
 Adds new lustre to the day.

4 Bane and blessing, pain and pleasure,
 By the Cross are sanctified ;
 Peace is there that knows no measure,
 Joys that through all time abide.

Sir John Bowring. 1825.

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S. M.

1 **N**OT all the blood of beasts,
 On Jewish altars slain,
 Could give the guilty conscience peace,
 Or wash away the stain.

2 But Christ, the heavenly Lamb,
 Takes all our stains away ;
 A Sacrifice of nobler name,
 And richer blood than they.

3 My faith would lay her hand,
On that dear head of Thine,
While like a penitent I stand,
And there confess my sin.

4 My soul looks back to see
The burden Thou didst bear,
When hanging on the curséd tree,
And hopes her guilt was there.

5 Believing, we rejoice
To see the curse remove ;
We bless the Lamb with cheerful voice,
And sing His bleeding Love.

Watts. 1709.

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C. M.

1 THERE is a fountain filled with blood
Drawn from Immanuel's veins ;
And sinners, plunged beneath that flood,
Lose all their guilty stains.

2 The dying thief rejoiced to see
That fountain in his day ;
And there may I, as vile as he,
Wash all my sins away !

3 Dear dying Lamb, Thy precious Blood
Shall never lose its power,
Till all the ransomed Church of God
Be saved, to sin no more.

4 E'er since, by faith, I saw the stream
Thy flowing wounds supply,
Redeeming Love has been my theme
And shall be till I die.

5 Then in a nobler, sweeter song,
I'll sing Thy power to save,
When this poor lisping, stammering tongue,
Lies silent in the grave.

6 Lord, I believe Thou hast prepared
(Unworthy though I be)
For me a blood-bought free reward,
A golden harp for me !

7 'Tis strung and tuned for endless years,
And formed by power divine
To sound in God the Father's ears
No other name but Thine.

William Cowper. 1779. a.

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7s.

1 DUST and ashes, sin and guilt,—
Christ, for me Thy Blood was spilt ;
Cleanse Thou me from guilt and sin,
Make me pure without, within ;
Soul and body, at Thy word,
Be to saving health restored.

2 Flesh and blood, this mortal frame,
Thou wert pleased to wear the same :
Though Thy nature was divine,
Thou didst condescend to mine :
Let me for Thy mercy's sake,
Thy Divinity partake.

3 From the ruins of the Fall,
Me to grace and glory call :
Me, O Lord my Righteousness !
With Thine image re-impress :
Thou didst stoop to earth for me :
Raise me up to heaven with Thee.

James Montgomery. 1853.

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8, 7.

1 JESUS, Refuge of the weary,
Object of the spirit's love,
Fountain in life's desert dreary,
Saviour from the world above :

O how oft Thine eyes, offended,
Gaze upon the sinner's fall !
Yet upon the Cross extended,
Thou didst bear the pain of all.

2 Do we pass that Cross unheeding,
Breathing no repentant vow,
Though we see Thee wounded, bleeding,
See Thy thorn-encircled brow ?
Yet Thy sinless death has brought us
Life eternal, peace and rest ;
Only what Thy grace has taught us
Calms the sinner's stormy breast.

3 Jesus, may our hearts be burning,
With more fervent love for Thee ;
May our eyes be ever turning
To Thy Cross of agony ;
Till in glory, parted never
From the blessed Saviour's side,
Graven in our hearts for ever,
Dwell the Cross, the Crucified.

*Jerome Savonarola. d. 1498.
Unknown, Tr.*

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Ira justa Conditoris.

8, 7, 7.

1 **H**E who once, in righteous vengeance,
Whelmed the world beneath the flood,
Once again in mercy cleansed it
With the stream of His own Blood,
Coming from His throne on high
On the painful Cross to die.

2 O the wisdom of the Eternal !
O its depth, and height divine !
O the sweetness of that mercy
Which in Jesus Christ doth shine !
We were sinners doomed to die ;
Jesus paid the penalty.

3 When before the Judge we tremble,
Conscious of His broken laws.

May the blood of His Atonement
Cry aloud and plead our cause ;
Bid our guilty terrors cease,
Be our pardon and our peace.

4 Prince and Author of salvation !
Lord of majesty supreme !

Jesus ! praise to Thee be given
By the world Thou didst redeem :
Glory to the Father be,
And the Spirit, One with Thee.

Edward Caswall. 1848. a.

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Viva, viva, Jesu.

6, 5.

1 GLORY be to Jesus,
Who, in bitter pains,
Poured for me the life-blood
From His sacred veins !

2 Grace and life eternal
In that Blood I find ;
Blest be His compassion,
Infinitely kind !

3 Blest through endless ages
Be the precious stream,
Which from endless torments
Did the world redeem !

4 Abel's blood for vengeance
Pleaded to the skies ;
But the Blood of Jesus
For our pardon cries !

5 Oft as earth exulting
Wafts its praise on high,
Angel hosts rejoicing
Make their glad reply.

6 Lift we then our voices,
 Swell the mighty flood;
 Louder still, and louder
 Praise the precious Blood!

From the Italian.
Edward Caswall. 1858.

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C. M.

1 COME let us join our cheerful songs,
 C With angels round the throne.
 Ten thousand thousand are their tongues,
 But all their joys are one.

2 "Worthy the Lamb that died," they cry,
 "To be exalted thus."
 "Worthy the Lamb," our lips reply,
 For He was slain for us.

3 Jesus is worthy to receive
 Honor and power divine;
 And blessings more than we can give,
 Be, Lord, for ever thine.

4 Let all that dwell above the sky,
 And air, and earth, and seas,
 Conspire to lift Thy glories high,
 And speak Thine endless praise!

5 The whole creation join in one,
 To bless the sacred Name
 Of Him that sits upon the throne,
 And to adore the Lamb.

Watts. 1709.

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C. M.

1 NOW to the Lamb that once was slain
 N Be endless blessings paid;
 Salvation, glory, joy, remain
 For ever on Thy head!

2 Thou hast redeemed our souls with Blood,
 Hast set the prisoners free,
 Hast made us kings and priests to God,
 And we shall reign with Thee.

Watts. 1709.

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S. M.

1 **H**OSANNA to the Son
 Of David and of God,
 Who brought the news of pardon down,
 And bought it with His Blood !

2 To Christ the anointed King,
 Be endless blessings given !
 Let the whole earth His glory sing,
 Who made our peace with heaven.

Watts. 1709.

PASSION WEEK.

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C. M.

1 **O** THOU who through this holy week
 Didst suffer for us all ;
 The sick to cure, the lost to seek,
 To raise up them that fall :

2 We cannot understand the woe
 Thy Love was pleased to bear :
 O Lamb of God, we only know
 That all our hopes are there !

3 Thy feet the path of suffering trod ;
 Thy hand the victory won :
 What shall we render to our God
 For all that He hath done ?

4 To God the Father, God the Son,
 And God the Holy Ghost,
 By men on earth be honor done,
 And by the heavenly host.

John Mason Neale. 1844.

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*Palm Sunday.***L. M.**

- 1 RIDE on, ride on in majesty !
In lowly pomp ride on to die !
O Christ, Thy triumphs now begin
O'er captive death, and conquered sin.
- 2 Ride on, ride on in majesty !
The angel armies of the sky
Look down with sad and wondering eyes,
To see the approaching Sacrifice.
- 3 Ride on, ride on in majesty !
Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh :
The Father on His sapphire throne
Expects His own anointed Son.
- 4 Ride on, ride on in majesty !
In lowly pomp ride on to die !
Bow Thy meek head to mortal pain,
Then take, O God, Thy power, and reign.

Henry Hart Milman. 1827. a.

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ISAIAH 53.

C. M.

- 1 THE Saviour comes ! no outward pomp
Bespeaks His presence nigh ;
No earthly beauty shines in Him
To draw the carnal eye.
- 2 Rejected and despised of men,
Behold a Man of woe !
And grief His close companion still
Through all His life below !
- 3 Yet all the griefs He felt were ours,
Ours were the woes He bore :
Pangs, not His own, His spotless soul
With bitter anguish tore.
- 4 We held Him as condemned of heaven,
An outcast from His God ;
While for our sins He groaned, he bled,
Beneath His Father's rod.

5 His sacred Blood hath washed our souls
From sin's polluting stain ;
His stripes have healed us, and His Death
Revived our souls again.

6 We all, like sheep, have gone astray
In ruin's fatal road :
On Him were our transgressions laid ;
He bore the mighty load.

7 He died to bear the guilt of men,
That sin might be forgiven :
He lives to bless them and defend,
And plead their cause in heaven.

William Robertson. A. 1743. a.

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8, 7.

1 **H**AIL, Thou once despiséd Jesus !
Hail, Thou Galilean King !
Thou didst suffer to release us ;
Thou didst free salvation bring.
Hail, Thou agonizing Saviour,
Bearer of our sin and shame !
By Thy merits we find favor ;
Life is given through Thy Name.

2 Paschal Lamb, by God appointed,
All our sins on Thee were laid ;
By almighty Love anointed,
Thou hast full Atonement made.
All Thy people are forgiven,
Through the virtue of Thy Blood :
Opened is the gate of heaven ;
Peace is made 'twixt man and God.

3 Jesus, hail, enthroned in glory,
There for ever to abide !
All the heavenly hosts adore Thee,
Seated at Thy Father's side :

There for sinners Thou art pleading,
 There Thou dost our place prepare,
 Ever for us interceding,
 Till in glory we appear.

4 Worship, honor, power and blessing,
 Thou art worthy to receive ;
 Loudest praises, without ceasing,
 Meet it is for us to give.
 Help, ye bright angelic spirits ,
 Bring your sweetest, noblest lays,
 Help to sing our Saviour's merits,
 Help to chant Immanuel's praise.

John Bakewell. 1760.

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8, 7.

1 **S**UFFERING Son of man, be near me,
 In my sufferings to sustain ;
 By Thy sorcer griefs to cheer me,
 By Thy more than mortal pain.

2 Call to mind that unknown anguish,
 In Thy days of flesh below,
 When Thy troubled soul did languish
 Under a whole world of woe.

3 By Thy most severe temptation
 In that dark Satanic hour ;
 By Thy last mysterious Passion,
 Screen me from the adverse power.

4 By Thy fainting in the garden,
 By Thy dreadful Death, I pray,
 Write upon my heart Thy pardon ;
 Take my sins and fears away.

5 By the travail of Thy spirit,
 By Thine outcry on the tree,
 By Thine agonizing merit,
 Gracious Lord, remember me !

C. Wesley. 1787. a.

1 **S**AVIOUR, when in dust to Thee
 Low we bend the adoring knee ;
 When repentant, to the skies
 Scarce we lift our weeping eyes ;
 O, by all Thy pains and woe
 Suffered once for man below,
 Bending from Thy throne on high,
 Hear our solemn Litany !

2 By Thy helpless infant years,
 By Thy life of want and tears,
 By Thy days of sore distress
 In the savage wilderness ;
 By the dread mysterious hour
 Of the insulting tempter's power ;
 Turn, O turn a favoring eye,
 Hear our solemn Litany !

3 By Thine hour of dire despair,
 By Thine agony of prayer ;
 By the cross, the nail, the thorn,
 Piercing spear, and torturing scorn ;
 By the gloom that veiled the skies
 O'er the dreadful sacrifice ;
 Listen to our humble cry,
 Hear our solemn Litany !

4 By Thy deep expiring groan ;
 By the sad sepulchral stone ;
 By the vault whose dark abode
 Held in vain the rising God ;
 O, from earth to heaven restored,
 Mighty, reascended Lord,
 Listen, listen to the cry
 Of our solemn Litany !

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7s.

1 **G**O to dark Gethsemane,
Ye that feel the tempter's power :
Your Redeemer's conflict see ;
 Watch with Him one bitter hour ;
Turn not from His griefs away ;
Learn of Jesus Christ to pray.

2 Follow to the judgment-hall,
 View the Lord of life arraigned :
O the wormwood and the gall !
 O the pangs His soul sustained !
Shun not suffering, shame, or loss ;
Learn of Him to bear the cross.

3 Calvary's mournful mountain climb :
 There, adoring at His feet,
Mark that miracle of time,
 God's own Sacrifice complete :
“It is finished,” hear Him cry :
Learn of Jesus Christ to die.

4 Early hasten to the tomb,
 Where they laid His breathless clay ;
All is solitude and gloom ;
 Who hath taken Him away ?
Christ is risen !—He meets our eyes :
Saviour, teach us so to rise.

James Montgomery. 1825.

—
GOOD FRIDAY.

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Opprobriis, Jesu, satur. Iambic. 8, 7.

1 **H**IS trial o'er, and now beneath
 His own Cross faintly bending,
Jesus the fatal hill of death
 Is wearily ascending.

2 And now, His hands and feet pierced through,
Upon the Cross they raise Him:
Where even now, in distant view,
The eye of faith surveys Him.

3 O wondrous Love, which God most high
Toward man was pleased to cherish!
His sinless Son He gave to die,
That sinners might not perish.

4 Yes, 'tis the Cross that breaks the rod
And chain of condemnation,
And makes a league 'twixt man and God
For our entire salvation.

5 O praise the Father, praise the Son,
The Lamb for sinners given,
And Holy Ghost, by whom alone
Our hearts are raised to heaven.

*Charles Coffin. d. 1749.
John Chandler, Tr. 1837.*

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Prome vocem, mens, canoram.

8, 7.

1 **N**OW, my soul, thy voice upraising,
Sing aloud in mournful strain,
Of the sorrows most amazing,
And the agonizing pain,
Which our Saviour
Sinless bore, for sinners slain.

2 He the ruthless scourge enduring,
Ransom for our sins to pay,
Sinners by His own stripes curing,
Raising those who wounded lay,
Bore our sorrows,
And removed our pains away.

3 He to liberty restored us
 By the very bonds He bare ;
 And His nail-pierced limbs afford us
 Each a stream of mercy rare :
 Lo ! He draws us
 To the Cross, and keeps us there.

4 When His painful life was ended,
 Then the spear transfix'd His side :
 Blood and water thence descended,
 Pouring forth a double tide :
 This to cleanse us,
 That to heal us is applied.

5 Jesus ! may Thy promised blessing
 Comfort to our souls afford ;
 May we, now Thy Love possessing,
 And at length our full reward,
 Ever praise Thee,
 As our ever-glorious Lord !

*Santolius Maglorianus. ab. 1650.
 John Chandler, Tr. 1837. a.*

1 O SACRED Head, now wounded,
 With grief and shame weighed down,
 Now scornfully surrounded
 With thorns, Thy only crown !
 O sacred Head, what glory,
 What bliss, till now, was Thine !
 Yet, though despised and gory,
 I joy to call Thee mine.

2 How art Thou pale with anguish,
 With sore abuse and scorn !
 How does that visage languish,
 Which once was bright as morn !

What Thou, my Lord, hast suffered,
 Was all for sinners' gain ;
 Mine, mine was the transgression,
 But Thine the deadly pain.

3 Lo, here I fall, my Saviour !
 'Tis I deserve Thy place !
 Look on me with Thy favor,
 Vouchsafe to me Thy grace.
 Receive me, my Redeemer ;
 My Shepherd, make me Thine !
 Of every good the Fountain,
 Thou art the Spring of mine !

4 What language shall I borrow
 To thank Thee, dearest Friend,
 For this Thy dying sorrow,
 Thy pity without end !
 O make me thine for ever,
 And should I fainting be,
 Lord, let me never, never,
 Outlive my love to Thee.

5 Forbid that I should leave Thee ;
 O Jesus, leave not me ;
 In faith may I receive Thee,
 When death shall set me free.
 When strength and comfort languish,
 And I must hence depart,
 Release me then from anguish
 By Thine own wounded heart.

Bernard of Cîteaux. d. 1153.

Paul Gerhardt. 1659.

James Waddell Alexander, Tr. 1849. a.

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Jesu, Deine tiefen Wunden.

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1 **L**ORD, Thy Death and Passion give
 Strength and comfort at my need.
 Every hour while here I live
 On Thy Love my soul shall feed.

Thou didst once for me endure,
 And I fly all thoughts impure ;
 Thinking on Thy bitter pains,
 Hushed in prayer my heart remains.

2 Yes, Thy Cross hath power to heal
 All the wounds of sin and strife.
 Lost in Thee, my heart doth feel
 Sudden warmth and nobler life.
 In my saddest, darkest grief,
 Let Thy sweetness bring relief,
 Thou who camest but to save,
 Thou who fearest not the grave !

3 Lord, in Thee I place my trust,
 Thou art my Defence and Tower ;
 Death Thou treadest in the dust,
 O'er my soul he hath no power.
 That I may have part in Thee,
 Help and save and comfort me ;
 Give me of Thy grace and might,
 Resurrection, life, and light !

4 Fount of good, within me dwell !
 For the peace Thy presence sheds
 Keeps us safe in conflict fell,
 Charms the pain from dying beds.
 Hide me safe within Thine arm,
 Where no foe can hurt or harm ;
 Whoso, Lord, in Thee doth rest,
 He hath conquered, he is blest.

*John Heermann. 1644.
 Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1855.*

1 CHRIST the Life of all the living,
 Christ the Death of death our foe,
 Who Thyselv for us once giving
 To the darkest depths of woe,

Patiently didst yield Thy breath
 But to save my soul from death ;
 Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,
 Blessed Jesus, unto Thee.

2 Thou, ah Thou, hast taken on Thee
 Bitter strokes, a cruel rod ;
 Pain and scorn were heaped upon Thee,
 O Thou sinless Son of God.
 Only thus for me to win
 Rescue from the bonds of sin ;
 Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,
 Blessed Jesus, unto Thee.

3 Thou didst bear the smiting only
 That it might not fall on me ;
 Stoodest falsely charged and lonely,
 That I might be safe and free ;
 Comfortless that I might know
 Comfort from Thy boundless woe.
 Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,
 Blessed Jesus, unto Thee.

4 Then for all that wrought our pardon,
 For Thy sorrows deep and sore,
 For Thine anguish in the garden,
 I will thank Thee evermore ;
 Thank Thee with my latest breath
 For Thy sad and cruel death,
 For that last and bitter cry :
 Praise Thee evermore on high.

*Ernest Christopher Homlburg. 1659.
 Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1862. a.*

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C. M.

1 BEHOLD the Saviour of mankind
 B Nailed to the shameful tree !
 How vast the love that Him inclined
 To bleed and die for thee !

2 Hark, how He groans! while nature shakes,
And earth's strong pillars bend!
The temple's veil in sunder breaks,
The solid marbles rend.

3 'Tis done; the precious ransom's paid:
"Receive my soul!" He cries:
See where He bows His sacred head!
He bows His head and dies.

4 But soon He'll break death's envious chain,
And in full glory shine.
O Lamb of God! was ever pain,
Was ever love like Thine?

Samuel Wesley, Sr. 1700.

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S. M.

1 BEHOLD the amazing sight,
The Saviour lifted high!
Behold the Son of God's delight
Expire in agony!

2 For whom, for whom, my heart,
Were all these sorrows borne?
Why did He feel that piercing smart,
And meet that various scorn?

3 For love of us He bled,
And all in torture died;
'Twas Love that bowed His fainting head,
And oped His gushing side.

4 Drawn by such cords as these,
Let all the world combine,
With cheerful ardor to confess
The energy divine.

5 In Thee our hearts unite,
Nor share Thy griefs alone,
But from Thy Cross pursue their flight
To Thy triumphant throne.

Doddridge. 1755.

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C. M.

- 1 A LAS! and did my Saviour bleed,
A And did my Sovereign die?
Would He devote that sacred Head
For such a worm as I?
- 2 Was it for crimes that I had done,
He groaned upon the tree?
Amazing pity! grace unknown!
And Love beyond degree!
- 3 Well might the sun in darkness hide,
And shut his glories in,
When Christ the mighty Maker died
For man the creature's sin!
- 4 Thus might I hide my blushing face,
While His dear cross appears;
Dissolve my heart in thankfulness,
And melt my eyes in tears.
- 5 But drops of grief can ne'er repay
The debt of love I owe.
Here, Lord, I give myself away:
'Tis all that I can do.

Watts. 1709.

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8, 7.

- 1 STRICKEN, smitten and afflicted,
See Him dying on the tree!
'Tis the Christ by man rejected;
Yes, my soul, 'tis He! 'tis He!
- 2 Mark the Sacrifice appointed!
See who bears the awful load;
'Tis the Word, the Lord's Anointed,
Son of man, and Son of God.
- 3 Here we have a firm foundation;
Here the refuge of the lost;
Christ's the Rock of our salvation:
His the Name of which we boast.

4 Lamb of God for sinners wounded !
 Sacrifice to cancel guilt !
 None shall ever be confounded
 Who on Thee their hope have built.

Thomas Kelly. 1804.

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L. M.

1 WHEN I survey the wondrous Cross
 On which the Prince of glory died,
 My richest gain I count but loss,
 And pour contempt on all my pride.

2 Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
 Save in the death of Christ, my God ;
 All the vain things that charm me most,
 I sacrifice them to His Blood.

3 See, from His Head, His hands, His feet,
 Sorrow and love flow mingled down !
 Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
 Or thorns compose so rich a crown ?

4 Were the whole realm of nature mine,
 That were a tribute far too small ;
 Love so amazing, so divine,
 Demands my soul, my life, my all.

Watts. 1709. a.

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7s.

1 WEARY sinner, keep thine eyes
 On the atoning Sacrifice :
 There the Incarnate Deity
 Numbered with transgressors see :
 There His Father's absence mourns,
 Nailed, and bruised, and crowned with thorns.

2 Surely Christ thy griefs hath borne ;
 Weeping soul, no longer mourn :
 View Him bleeding on the tree,
 Pouring out His life for thee :

There thy every sin He bore ;
Weeping soul, lament no more.

- 3 Cast thy guilty soul on Him,
Find Him mighty to redeem :
At His feet thy burden lay,
Look thy doubts and cares away :
Now, by faith, the Son embrace,
Plead His promise, trust His grace.
- 4 Lord, Thy arm must be revealed,
Ere I can by faith be healed :
Since I scarce can look to Thee,
Cast a gracious eye on me :
At Thy feet myself I lay :
Shine, O shine my fears away !

Augustus Montague Toplady. 1759.

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EASTER EVE.

8, 7, 7.

- 1 A LL is o'er, the pain, the sorrow,
Human taunts and Satan's spite ;
Death shall be despoiled to-morrow
 Of the prey he grasps to-night ;
Yet once more, to seal his doom,
Christ must sleep within the tomb.
- 2 Fierce and deadly was the anguish
 Which on yonder Cross He bore ;
How did soul and body languish
 Till the toil of death was o'er !
But that toil, so fierce and dread,
Bruised and crushed the serpent's head.
- 3 Close and still the cell that holds Him,
 While in brief repose He lies :
Deep the slumber that enfolds Him,
 Veiled awhile from mortal eyes ;

Slumber such as needs must be
After hard-won victory.

4 We this night with plaintive voicing
Chant His requiem soft and low;
Loftier strains of loud rejoicing
From to-morrow's harp shall flow:
Death and hell at length are slain,
Christ hath triumphed, Christ doth reign.

John Moultrie. 1858. a.

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So ruhest Du.

6, 6, 10.

1 REST of the weary! Thou
Thyself art resting now,
Where lowly in Thy sepulchre Thou liest;
From out her deathly sleep
My soul doth start, to weep
So sad a wonder, that Thou, Saviour, diest!

2 Thy bitter anguish o'er,
To this dark tomb they bore
Thee, Life of life—Thee, Lord of all creation!
The hollow rocky cave
Must serve Thee for a grave,
Who wast Thyself the Rock of our salvation!

3 O Prince of Life! I know
That when I too lie low,
Thou wilt at last my soul from death awaken:
Wherfore I will not shrink
From the grave's awful brink;
The heart that trusts in Thee shall ne'er be shaken

4 To me the darksome tomb
Is but a narrow room,
Where I may rest in peace, from sorrow free.
Thy Death shall give me power
To cry in that dark hour,
O Death! O Grave! where is your victory?

5 The grave can naught destroy ;
 Only the flesh can die,
 And e'en the body triumphs o'er decay :
 Clothed by Thy wondrous might
 In robes of dazzling light,
 This flesh shall burst the grave at that Last Day.

6 My Jesus, day by day,
 Help me to watch and pray,
 Beside the tomb where in my heart Thou'rt laid.
 Thy bitter Death shall be
 My constant memory,
 My guide at last into death's awful shade.

Solomon Frank. 1716.
Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1855.

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C. M.

1 JESUS, Thy soul, for ever blest,
 J Hath gone among the dead,
 And to his peaceful place of rest
 The dying thief hath led.

2 And all for us ; that when, ere long,
 We shall resign our breath,
 We may not fear to go among
 The unseen shades of death.

3 In death's dark vale I soon must be,
 But I will nothing fear ;
 Thy rod and staff will comfort me ;
 Thou hast Thyself been there.

Isaac Williams. 1842. a.

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Der Du, Herr Jesu, Ruh und Rast.

L. M.

1 L ORD Jesus, who, our souls to save,
 L Didst rest and slumber in the grave,
 Now grant us all in Thee to rest,
 And here to live as seems Thee best.

- 2 Give us the strength, the dauntless faith,
That Thou hast purchased with Thy Death, ·
And lead us to that glorious place,
Where we shall see the Father's face.
- 3 O Lamb of God, who once was slain,
We thank Thee for that bitter pain.
Let us partake Thy Death, that we
May enter into Life with Thee.

*George Werner. 1638.
Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1858.*

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8, 7.

- 1 **H**AIL, all hail, Thou Lord of glory !
Thee our Father, Thee we own !
Abraham heard not of our story,
Israel ne'er our name hath known :
- 2 But, Redeemer, Thou hast sought us,
Thou hast heard Thy children's wail ;
Thou with Thy dear Blood hast bought us ;
Hail, Thou mighty Victor, hail !

Arthur Cleveland Coxe. 1843.

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EASTER.

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L. M.

- 1 **H**E dies, the Friend of sinners dies !
Lo ! Salem's daughters weep around.
A solemn darkness veils the skies ;
A sudden trembling shakes the ground.
- 2 Here's love and grief beyond degree :
The Lord of glory dies for men ;
But lo, what sudden joys we see !
Jesus, the dead, revives again.
- 3 The rising God forsakes the tomb !
The tomb in vain forbids His rise :
Cherubic legions guard Him home,
And shout Him welcome to the skies.

4 Break off your tears, ye saints, and tell
 How high your great Deliverer reigns.
 Sing how he spoiled the hosts of hell,
 And led the monster, Death, in chains.

5 Say, "Live for ever, wondrous King,
 Born to redeem, and strong to save!"
 Then ask the monster: "Where's thy sting?
 And where's thy victory, boasting grave?"

Watts, 1703. a.

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8, 7, 7.

1 WHO is this that comes from Edom,
 All His raiment stained with blood,
 To the captive speaking freedom,
 Bringing and bestowing good;
 Glorious in the garb He wears,
 Glorious in the spoil He bears?

2 'Tis the Saviour, now victorious,
 Travelling onward in His might;
 'Tis the Saviour; O how glorious
 To His people is the sight!
 Satan conquered and the grave,
 Jesus now is strong to save.

3 Why that blood his raiment staining;
 'Tis the blood of many slain:
 Of His foes there's none remaining,
 None the contest to maintain.
 Fallen they are, no more to rise;
 All their glory prostrate lies.

4 Mighty Victor! reign for ever,
 Wear the crown so dearly won;
 Never shall Thy people, never,
 Cease to sing what Thou hast done:
 Thou hast fought Thy people's foes;
 Thou hast healed Thy people's woes.

Thomas Kelly. 1809. a.

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7s.

- 1 CHRIST the Lord is risen to-day,
Sons of men and angels say.
Raise your joys and triumphs high ;
Sing, ye heavens, and earth reply.
- 2 Love's redeeming work is done,
Fought the fight, the battle won ;
Lo ! the Sun's eclipse is o'er ;
Lo ! He sets in blood no more.
- 3 Vain the stone, the watch, the seal ;
Christ has burst the gates of hell !
Death in vain forbids His rise ;
Christ hath opened Paradise.
- 4 Lives again our glorious King ;
Where, O Death, is now Thy sting ?
Dying once, He all doth save ;
Where thy victory, O Grave ?
- 5 Soar we now where Christ has led,
Following our exalted Head :
Made like Him, like Him we rise ;
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies !
- 6 Hail, the Lord of earth and heaven !
Praise to Thee by both be given :
Thee we greet triumphant now ;
Hail, the Resurrection Thou !

C. Wesley. 1739.

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7, 6.

- 1 THE day of Resurrection !
Earth, tell it out abroad !
The Passover of gladness,
The Passover of God !
From death to Life eternal,
From earth unto the sky,
Our Christ hath brought us over,
With hymns of victory.

2 Our hearts be pure from evil,
 That we may see aright
 The Lord in rays eternal
 Of resurrection light:
 And listening to His accents,
 May hear, so calm and plain,
 His own "All hail!"—and hearing,
 May raise the victor strain.

3 Now let the heavens be joyful!
 Let earth her song begin!
 Let all the world keep triumph,
 And all that is therein:
 In grateful exultation
 Their notes let all things blend,
 For Christ the Lord hath risen,
 Our Joy that hath no end.

*John of Damascus. ab. 760.
 John Mason Neale, Tr. 1862. a.*

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Trochaic. 7, 9.

1 COME, ye faithful, raise the strain
 Of triumphant gladness!
 God hath brought His Israel
 Into joy from sadness!

2 'Tis the spring of souls to-day:
 Christ hath burst His prison;
 And from three days' sleep in death,
 As a sun, hath risen.

3 All the winter of our sins,
 Long and dark, is flying
 From His light, to whom we give
 Thanks and praise undying.

4 Neither might the gates of death,
 Nor the tomb's dark portal,
 Nor the watchers, nor the seal,
 Hold Thee as a mortal:

5 But to-day amidst the twelve
 Thou didst stand, bestowing
 That Thy peace, which evermore
 Passeth human knowing.

*John of Damascus. ab. 760.
 John Mason Neale, Tr. 1862.*

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*Jesus, meine Zuversicht.**7, 8, 7.*

1 JESUS CHRIST, my sure defence
 And my Saviour, ever liveth ;
 Knowing this, my confidence
 Rests upon the hope it giveth,
 Though the night of death be fraught
 Still with many an anxious thought.

2 Jesus, my Redeemer lives !
 I, too, unto life must waken :
 He will have me where He is :
 Shall my courage then be shaken ?
 Shall I fear ? Or could the Head
 Rise and leave its members dead ?

3 Nay, too closely am I bound
 Unto Him by hope for ever ;
 Faith's strong hand the Rock hath found,
 Grasped it, and will leave it never :
 Not the ban of death can part
 From its Lord the trusting heart.

4 What now sickens, mourns, and sighs,
 Christ with Him in glory bringeth :
 Earthly is the seed and dies,
 Heavenly from the grave it springeth.
 Natural is the death we die,
 Spiritual our life on high.

5 Saviour, draw away our heart
 Now from pleasures base and hollow,
 Let us there with Thee have part,
 Here on earth Thy foot-steps follow.

Fix our hearts beyond the skies,
Whither we ourselves would rise.

*Louisa Henrietta of Brandenburg. 1649.
Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1862.*

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Jesus lebt! mit Ihm auch ich.

7, 8, 7.

1 JESUS lives! no longer now
Can thy terrors, Death, appal me;
Jesus lives! by this I know,
From the grave He will recall me.
Brighter scenes will then commence;
This shall be my confidence.

2 Jesus lives! to Him the throne
High o'er heaven and earth is given:
I shall go where He is gone,
Live and reign with Him in heaven.
God is pledged; weak doubtings, hence!
This shall be my confidence.

3 Jesus lives! for me He died,
Hence will I, to Jesus living,
Pure in heart and act abide,
Praise to Him and glory giving.
Freely God doth aid dispense;
This shall be my confidence.

4 Jesus lives! I know full well,
Naught from me His Love shall sever;
Life, nor death, nor powers of hell,
Part me now from Christ for ever.
God will be a sure Defence:
This shall be my confidence.

5 Jesus lives! henceforth is death
But the gate of Life immortal;
This shall calm my trembling breath,
When I pass its gloomy portal.

Faith shall cry, as fails each sense,
 "Lord, Thou art my Confidence!"

Christian F. Gellert. 1757.

Frances Elizabeth Cox, Tr. 1841-64.

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Willkommen, Held im Streite.

C. M.

- 1 **W**ELCOME, Thou Victor in the strife,
 Welcome from out the cave!
 To-day we triumph in Thy life
 Around Thine empty grave.
- 2 Our enemy is put to shame,
 His short-lived triumph o'er;
 Our God is with us, we exclaim,
 We fear our foe no more.
- 3 The dwellings of the just resound
 With songs of victory;
 For in their midst Thou, Lord, art found,
 And bringest peace with Thee.
- 4 O let Thy conquering banner wave
 O'er hearts Thou makest free;
 And point the path that from the grave
 Leads heavenward up to Thee.
- 5 We bury all our sin and crime
 Deep in our Saviour's tomb,
 And seek the treasure there, that time
 Nor change can e'er consume.
- 6 Fearless we lay us in the tomb,
 And sleep the night away,
 If Thou art there to break the gloom,
 And call us back to day.
- 7 Death hurts us not: his power is gone,
 And pointless all His darts:
 God's favor now on us hath shone,
 Joy filleth all our hearts.

Benjamin Schmolck. 1712.
Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1855.

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C. M.

1 FATHER of Jesus Christ, my Lord,
My Saviour, and my Head,
I trust in Thee, whose powerful word
Hath raised Him from the dead.

2 Thou knowest for my offence He died,
And rose again for me ;
Fully and freely justified,
That I might live to Thee.

3 Eternal life to all mankind
Thou hast in Jesus given ;
And all who seek, in Him, shall find
The happiness of Heaven.

4 Obedient faith, that waits on Thee,
Thou never wilt reprove ;
But Thou wilt form Thy Son in me,
And perfect me in love.

5 To Thee the glory of Thy power
And faithfulness I give.
I shall in Christ, at that glad hour,
And Christ in me shall live.

C. Wesley. 1742.

ASCENSION.

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PSALM 24.

L. M.

1 OUR Lord is risen from the dead ;
Our Jesus is gone up on high :
The powers of hell are captive led,
Dragged to the portals of the sky.

2 There His triumphal chariot waits,
And angels chant the solemn lay :
Lift up your heads, ye heavenly gates !
Ye everlasting doors, give way !

3 Loose all your bars of massy light,
And wide unfold the radiant scene :
He claims these mansions as His right ;
Receive the King of Glory in.

4 Who is the King of Glory, who ?
The Lord, that all His foes o'ercame ;
The world, sin, death, and hell o'erthrew ;
And Jesus is the Conqueror's name.

C. Wesley. 1741.

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1 **H**AIL the day that sees Him rise,
Glorious, to His native skies !
Christ, awhile to mortals given,
Reascends His native heaven.

2 There the glorious triumph waits ;
Lift your heads, eternal gates !
Wide unfold the radiant scene ;
Take the King of Glory in !

3 Him though highest heaven receives,
Still He loves the earth He leaves ;
Though returning to His throne,
Still He calls mankind His own.

4 See, He lifts His hands above !
See, He shows the prints of love !
Hark, His gracious lips bestow
Blessings on His Church below !

5 Still for us His Death He pleads ;
Prevalent, He intercedes :
Near Himself prepares our place,
Harbinger of human race.

6 There we shall with Thee remain,
Partners of Thy endless reign ;
There Thy face unclouded see,
Find our heaven of heavens in Thee.

C. Wesley. 1739. a.

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*Hymnum canamus gloriæ.**L. M.*

1 **A** HYMN of glory let us sing ;
 New hymns throughout the world shall ring ;
 By a new way none ever trod,
 Christ mounteth to the throne of God.

2 May our affections thither tend,
 And thither constantly ascend,
 Where, seated on the Father's throne,
 Thee reigning in the heavens we own !

3 Be Thou our present Joy, O Lord,
 Who wilt be ever our Reward :
 And as the countless ages flee,
 May all our glory be in Thee !

*Bede. d. 735.**Elizabeth Rundell Charles, Tr. 1858.*

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*Jesu, nostra Redemptio.**C. M.*

1 **O** CHRIST, our Hope, our heart's Desire,
 Redemption's only Spring !
 Creator of the world art Thou,
 Its Saviour and its King.

2 How vast the mercy and the Love
 Which laid our sins on Thee,
 And led Thee to a cruel death,
 To set Thy people free !

3 But now the bands of death are burst,
 The ransom has been paid ;
 And Thou art on Thy Father's throne,
 In glorious robes arrayed.

4 O may Thy mighty Love prevail
 Our sinful souls to spare !
 O may we come before Thy throne,
 And find acceptance there !

5 O Christ, be Thou our present Joy,
 Our future great Reward;
 Our only glory may it be
 To glory in the Lord!

John Chandler. 1837.

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Zeuch uns nach Dir.

7, 6.

1 **D**RRAW us to Thee, Lord Jesus,
 And we will hasten on;
 For strong desire doth seize us
 To go where Thou art gone.

2 Draw us to Thee; enlighten
 These hearts to find Thy way,
 That else the tempests frighten,
 Or pleasures lure astray.

3 Draw us to Thee; and teach us
 Even now that rest to find,
 Where turmoils cannot reach us,
 Nor cares weigh down the mind.

4 Draw us to Thee; nor leave us
 Till all our path is trod,
 Then in Thine arms receive us,
 And bear us home to God.

*Ludaemilia Elizabeth, Countess of Schwarzburg Rudolstadt. d. 1672.
 Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1862.*

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C. M.

1 **0** THOU, who thus exalted art,
 On whom our souls rely,
 Grant to us now, in mind and heart,
 To dwell with Thee on high!

2 And when at length redeemed by Thee,
 The just from sleep shall rise,
 With theirs our happy portion be,
 A home beyond the skies.

B. J. W. 1832.

KINGDOM AND PRIESTHOOD OF CHRIST.

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C. M.

- 1 THE Head that once was crowned with thorns
Is crowned with glory now ;
A royal diadem adorns
The mighty Victor's brow.
- 2 The highest place that heaven affords
Is His by sovereign right :
The King of kings and Lord of lords,
And heaven's eternal Light.
- 3 The joy of all who dwell above,
The joy of all below,
To whom He manifests His Love,
And grants His Name to know.
- 4 To them the Cross, with all its shame,
With all its grace, is given ;
Their name an everlasting name,
Their joy the joy of heaven.
- 5 They suffer with their Lord below,
They reign with Him above ;
Their profit and their joy to know
The mystery of His Love.
- 6 The Cross He bore is life and health,
Though shame and death to Him :
His people's hope, His people's wealth,
Their everlasting theme.

Thomas Kelly. 1820. a.

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8, 7, 7.

- 1 HARK, ten thousand harps and voices
Sound the note of praise above !
Jesus reigns, and heaven rejoices ;
Jesus reigns, the God of love.
See, He sits on yonder throne ;
Jesus rules the world alone.

2 Jesus, hail! whose glory brightens
 All above, and makes it fair:
 Lord of life, Thy smile enlightens,
 Cheers and charms Thy people here.
 When we think of Love like Thine,
 Lord, we own it Love divine.

3 King of glory, reign for ever ;
 Thine an everlasting crown:
 Nothing from Thy Love shall sever
 Those whom Thou hast made Thine own ;
 Happy objects of Thy grace,
 Destined to behold Thy face.

4 Saviour, hasten Thine appearing ;
 Bring, O bring the glorious day,
 When, the awful summons hearing,
 Heaven and earth shall pass away.
 Then, with golden harps, we'll sing,
 " Glory, glory to our King."

Thomas Kelly. 1804. a.

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H. M.

1 REJOICE, the Lord is King !
 Your Lord and King adore ;
 Mortals, give thanks and sing,
 And triumph evermore :
 Lift up your heart, lift up your voice,
 Rejoice, for evermore, rejoice.

2 Jesus, the Saviour, reigns,
 The God of truth and love ;
 When He had purged our stains,
 He took His seat above :
 Lift up your heart, etc.

3 His kingdom cannot fail,
 He rules o'er earth and heaven :
 The keys of death and hell
 Are to our Jesus given.
 Lift up your heart, etc.

4 He sits at God's right hand,
 Till all His foes submit,
 And bow to His command,
 And fall beneath His feet.
 Lift up your heart, etc.

5 He all His foes shall quell,
 Shall all our sins destroy ;
 And every bosom swell
 With pure seraphic joy :
 Lift up your heart, etc.

6 Rejoice in glorious hope ;
 Jesus, the Judge, shall come,
 And take His servants up
 To their eternal home :
 We soon shall hear the archangel's voice,
 The trump of God shall sound, Rejoice !

C. Wesley. 1746.

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Siegesfürst und Ehrenkönig.

8, 7, 7.

1 **C**ONQUERING Prince and Lord of glory,
 Majesty enthroned in light !
 All the heavens are bowed before Thee,
 Far beyond them spreads Thy might.
 Shall I fall not at Thy feet,
 And my heart with rapture beat,
 Now Thy glory is displayed,
 Thine ere yet the worlds were made ?

2 As I watch Thee far ascending
 To the right hand of the throne,
 See the host before Thee bending,
 Praising Thee in sweetest tone,
 Shall not I too at Thy feet
 Here the angels' strain repeat,
 And rejoice that heaven doth ring,
 With the triumph of my King ?

3 Power and Spirit are o'erflowing;
 On me also be they poured:
 Every hinderance overthrowing,
 Make Thy foes Thy footstool, Lord.
 Yea, let earth's remotest end
 To Thy righteous sceptre bend;
 Make Thy way before Thee plain,
 O'er all hearts and spirits reign.

4 Lo, Thy presence now is filling
 All Thy Church in every place,
 Fill my heart too, make me willing
 In this season of Thy grace.
 Come, Thou King of glory, come,
 Deign to make my heart Thy home,
 There abide and rule alone,
 As upon Thy heavenly throne.

5 Thou art leaving me, yet bringing
 God and heaven, most inly near:
 From this earthly life upspringing,
 As though still I saw Thee here,
 Let my heart, transplanted hence,
 Strange to earth, and time, and sense,
 Dwell with Thee in heaven e'en now,
 Where our only joy art Thou!

*Gerhard Tersteegen. 1731.
 Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1861.*

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L. M.

1 I KNOW that my Redeemer lives!
 I What comfort this sweet sentence gives!
 He lives, He lives, who once was dead,
 He lives, my ever-living Head.

2 He lives to bless me with His Love,
 He lives to plead for me above,
 He lives my hungry soul to feed,
 He lives to help in time of need.

- 3 He lives to grant me rich supply,
He lives to guide me with His eye,
He lives to comfort me when faint,
He lives to hear my soul's complaint.
- 4 He lives to silence all my fears,
He lives to wipe away my tears,
He lives to calm my troubled heart,
He lives, all blessings to impart.
- 5 He lives, and grants me daily breath ;
He lives, and I shall conquer death ;
He lives, my mansion to prepare ;
He lives, to bring me safely there.
- 6 He lives, all glory to His Name !
He lives, my Jesus, still the same ;
O the sweet joy this sentence gives,
I know that my Redeemer lives !

From Samuel Medley. 1800.

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H. M.

- 1 JESUS, my great High Priest,
Offered His Blood and died ;
My guilty conscience seeks
No sacrifice beside.
His powerful Blood did once atone,
And now it pleads before the throne.
- 2 To this dear Surety's hand
Will I commit my cause ;
He answers and fulfils
His Father's broken laws.
Behold my soul at freedom set ;
My Surety paid the dreadful debt.
- 3 My Advocate appears
For my defence on high ;
The Father bows His ears,
And lays His thunder by.

Not all that hell or sin can say,
Shall turn His heart, His Love away.

4 Should all the hosts of death,
 And powers of hell unknown,
 Put their most dreadful forms
 Of rage and mischief on,
I shall be safe, for Christ displays
Superior power and guardian grace.

Watts. 1709.

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H. M.

1 A RISE, my soul, arise,
 Shake off thy guilty fears ;
 The bleeding Sacrifice
 In my behalf appears ;
Before the throne my Surety stands,
My name is written on His hands.

2 He ever lives above,
 For me to intercede ;
 His all-redeeming Love,
 His precious Blood to plead ;
His Blood atoned for all our race,
And sprinkles now the throne of grace.

3 Five bleeding wounds He bears,
 Received on Calvary ;
 They pour effectual prayers,
 They strongly speak for me ;
Forgive him, O forgive, they cry,
Nor let that ransomed sinner die !

4 The Father hears Him pray,
 His dear anointed One ;
 He cannot turn away
 The Presence of His Son ;
His Spirit answers to the Blood,
And tells me I am born of God.

5 My God is reconciled,
 His pardoning voice I hear :
 He owns me for His child,
 I can no longer fear ;
 With confidence I now draw nigh,
 And Father, Abba Father! cry.

C. Wesley. 1742.

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L. M. 6l.

- 1 WHEN gathering clouds around I view,
 And days are dark and friends are few,
 On Him I lean, who, not in vain,
 Experienced every human pain ;
 He sees my wants, allays my fears,
 And counts and treasures up my tears.
- 2 If aught should tempt my soul to stray
 From heavenly wisdom's narrow way,
 To fly the good I would pursue,
 Or do the sin I would not do ;
 Still He, who felt temptation's power,
 Shall guard me in that dangerous hour.
- 3 When vexing thoughts within me rise,
 And sore dismayed, my spirit dies,
 Still He, who once vouchsafed to bear
 The sickening anguish of despair,
 Shall sweetly soothe, shall gently dry,
 The throbbing heart, the streaming eye.
- 4 When sorrowing o'er some stone I bend.
 Which covers what was once a friend :
 And from his voice, his hand, his smile,
 Divides me for a little while ;
 Thou, Saviour, seest the tears I shed,
 For Thou didst weep o'er Lazarus dead.
- 5 And O, when I have safely past
 Through every conflict but the last,

Still, still unchanging, watch beside
 My painful bed, for Thou hast died ;
 Then point to realms of cloudless day,
 And wipe the latest tear away.

Sir Robert Grant 1806.

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 PRAISE TO CHRIST.

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Gloriosi Salvatoris.

8, 7.

1 **T**O the Name of our salvation
 Honor, worship, thanks, we pay ;
 Which, for many a generation
 Hid in God's foreknowledge lay,
 But with holy exultation
 We may sing aloud to-day.

2 Jesus is the Name we treasure,
 Name beyond what words can tell ;
 Name of gladness, name of pleasure,
 Ear and heart delighting well ;
 Name of sweetness, passing measure,
 Saving us from sin and hell.

3 'Tis the Name for adoration ;
 'Tis the Name of Victory ;
 'Tis the Name for meditation
 In this vale of misery ;
 'Tis the Name for veneration
 By the citizens on high.

4 Jesus is the Name exalted
 Over every other name ;
 In this Name, whene'er assaulted,
 We can put our foes to shame ;
 Strength to them who else had halted,
 Eyes to blind, and feet to lame.

5 Jesus, we Thy Name adoring,
 Long to see Thee as Thou art ;
 Of Thy clemency imploring
 So to write it in our heart,

That hereafter, upwards soaring,
We with angels may have part.

From John Mason Neale. 1851.

For Palm Sunday.

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Gloria, laus, et honor.

7, 6.

- 1 **A** LL glory, praise, and honor
To Thee, Redeemer King ;
To whom the lips of children
Made sweet hosannas ring.
- 2 Thou art the King of Israel,
Thou David's royal Son,
Who in the Lord's name comest,
The King and Blessed One !
- 3 The company of angels
Are praising Thee on high,
And mortal men, and all things
Created, make reply.
- 4 The people of the Hebrews
With palms before Thee went ;
Our praise and prayer and anthems
Before Thee we present.
- 5 To Thee before Thy Passion
They sang their hymns of praise ;
To Thee, now high exalted,
Our melody we raise.
- 6 Thou didst accept their praises ;
Accept the prayers we bring,
Who in all good delightest,
Thou good and gracious King !

*Theodulph of Orleans: d. 821.
John Mason Neale, Tr. 1856. a.*

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C. M.

- 1 **A** LL hail the power of Jesus' Name !
Let angels prostrate fall ;
Bring forth the royal diadem,
And crown Him Lord of all.

- 2 Ye chosen seed of Israel's race,
Ye ransomed from the fall,
Hail Him who saves you by His grace,
And crown Him Lord of all.
- 3 Hail Him, ye heirs of David's line,
Whom David Lord did call ;
The God incarnate, Man divine :
And crown Him Lord of all.
- 4 Ye Gentile sinners, ne'er forget
The wormwood and the gall ;
Go, spread your trophies at His feet,
And crown Him Lord of all.
- 5 Let every kindred, every tribe,
On this terrestrial ball,
To Him all majesty ascribe,
And crown Him Lord of all.
- 6 O that with yonder sacred throng
We at His feet may fall ;
We'll join the everlasting song,
And crown Him Lord of all.

From Edward Perronet 1780. a.

216

C. M.

- 1 **H**AIL, holy, holy, holy, Lord !
Let powers immortal sing ;
Adore the co-eternal Word,
Rejoice, the Lord is King !
- 2 To Thee all angels cry aloud,
Thy Name hosannas ring ;
Around Thy throne their myriads crowd,
And shout, the Lord is King !
- 3 Hail Him, they cry, ye sons of light,
Of joy the eternal Spring ;
Praise Him who formed you by His might,
Rejoice, the Lord is King !

4 Hail Him, ye saints, whose love for you
 Has drawn the monster's sting ;
 O render to the Lord His due ;
 Rejoice, the Lord is King !

5 Cry out and shout, fair Zion's land !
 Ye priests, your offerings bring ;
 Watchmen, that on her ramparts stand,
 O shout, the Lord is King !

6 Let worlds above and worlds below,
 In songs united sing ;
 And, while eternal ages flow,
 Rejoice, the Lord is King !

Edward Perronet. 1786. a.

217

C. M.

1 O FOR a thousand tongues to sing
 My great Redeemer's praise !
 The glories of my God and King,
 The triumphs of His grace !

2 My gracious Master and my God,
 Assist me to proclaim,
 To spread through all the earth abroad
 The honors of Thy Name.

3 Jesus, the Name that charms our fears,
 That bids our sorrows cease ;
 'Tis music in the sinner's ears,
 'Tis life, and health, and peace.

4 He breaks the power of cancelled sin,
 He sets the prisoner free ;
 His Blood can make the foulest clean ;
 His Blood avails for me.

5 Look unto Him, ye nations ; own
 Your God, ye fallen race ;
 Look, and be saved through faith alone,
 Be justified by grace.

6 See all your sins on Jesus laid ;
 The Lamb of God was slain :
 His soul was once an offering made
 For every soul of man.

7 Glory to God, and praise, and love,
 Be ever, ever given ;
 By saints below and saints above,
 The Church in earth and heaven.

C. Wesley. 1740. a.

218

H. M.

1 **L**ET earth and heaven combine,
 Angels and men agree,
 To praise in songs divine
 The incarnate Deity :
 To adore the all-atoning Lamb,
 And bless the sound of Jesus' Name.

2 Jesus ! transporting sound !
 The joy of earth and heaven ;
 No other help is found,
 No other name is given,
 By which we can salvation have ;
 But Jesus came the world to save.

3 For me and all mankind
 The Lamb of God was slain :
 My Lord His life resigned
 For every soul of man :
 Loving to all, He none passed by,
 He would not have one sinner die.

4 O unexampled Love !
 O all-redeeming grace !
 How swiftly didst Thou move
 To save a fallen race !
 What shall I do to make it known,
 What Thou for all mankind hast done ?

C. Wesley. 1756. a.

219

H. M.

1 JOIN all the glorious names
 Of wisdom, love, and power,
 That ever mortals knew,
 That angels ever bore:
 All are too mean to speak His worth;
 Too mean to set my Saviour forth.

2 But O, what gentle terms,
 What condescending ways,
 Doth our Redeemer use,
 To teach His heavenly grace!
 Mine eyes with joy and wonder see
 What forms of love He bears for me.

3 Arrayed in mortal flesh,
 He like an angel stands;
 And holds the promises
 And pardons in His hands:
 Commissioned from His Father's throne,
 To make His grace to mortals known.

4 Great Prophet of my God,
 My tongue would bless Thy Name;
 By Thee the joyful news
 Of our salvation came;
 The joyful news of sins forgiven,
 Of hell subdued, and peace with heaven.

5 Be Thou my Counsellor,
 My Pattern and my Guide;
 And through this desert land
 Still keep me near Thy side;
 O let my feet ne'er run astray,
 Nor rove, nor seek the crooked way! *Watts. 1709.*

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8, 7, 7.

1 ONE there is above all others,
 Well deserves the name of Friend.
 His is love beyond a brother's,
 Costly, free, and knows no end:

They who once his kindness prove,
Find it everlasting Love.

- 2 Which of all our friends, to save us,
 Could or would have shed his blood ?
But this Saviour died to have us
 Reconciled in Him to God :
This was boundless Love indeed :
Jesus is a Friend in need.
- 3 When He lived on earth abaséd,
 Friend of sinners was His name :
Now, above all glory raiséd,
 He rejoices in the same :
Still He calls them brethren, friends,
And to all their wants attends.
- 4 O for grace our hearts to soften !
 Teach us, Lord, at length to love.
We, alas ! forget too often
 What a Friend we have above :
But when home our souls are brought,
We will love Thee as we ought.

John Newton. 1779.

221

C. M.

- 1 **H**OW sweet the Name of Jesus sounds
 In a believer's ear !
It soothes his sorrows, heals his wounds,
 And drives away his fear.
- 2 It makes the wounded spirit whole,
 And calms the troubled breast ;
'Tis manna to the hungry soul,
 And to the weary rest.
- 3 Dear Name ! the Rock on which I build,
 My Shield and Hiding-place ;
My never-failing Treasury, filled
 With boundless stores of grace.

4 By Thee my prayers acceptance gain,
Although with sin defiled:
Satan accuses me in vain,
And I am owned a child.

5 Weak is the effort of my heart,
And cold my warmest thought;
But, when I see Thee as Thou art,
I'll praise Thee as I ought.

6 Till then, I would Thy love proclaim
With every fleeting breath;
And may the music of Thy Name
Refresh my soul in death.

John Newton. 1779.

222

7s.

1 SWEETER sounds than music knows
Charm me in Emmanuel's Name;
All her hopes my spirit owes
To His birth, and Cross, and shame.

2 When He came, the angels sung,
"Glory be to God on high:"
Lord, unloose my stammering tongue;
Who should louder sing than I?

3 Did the Lord a man become,
That he might the law fulfil,
Bleed and suffer in my room,
And canst thou, my tongue, be still?

4 No; I must my praises bring,
Though they worthless are, and weak;
For, should I refuse to sing,
Sure the very stones would speak.

5 O my Saviour, Shield, and Sun,
Shepherd, Brother, Lord, and Friend—
Every precious name in one!
I will love Thee without end.

John Newton. 1779. a.

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7s.

- 1 JESUS! Name of wondrous love
Name all other names above!
Name at which must every knee
Bow in deep humility.
- 2 Jesus! Name of priceless worth
To the fallen sons of earth,
For the promise that it gave—
“Jesus shall his people save.”
- 3 Jesus! Name of mercy mild,
Given to the holy Child,
When the cup of human woe
First He tasted here below.
- 4 Jesus! Only Name that's given
Under all the mighty heaven,
Whereby man, to sin enslaved,
Bursts his fetters, and is saved.
- 5 Jesus! Name of wondrous Love!
Human Name of Him above!
Pleading only this we flee,
Helpless, O our God, to Thee.

William Walsham How. 1860 a.

COMMUNION WITH CHRIST.

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*Jesu dulcis Memoria.**C. M.*

- 1 JESUS! the very thought of Thee
With sweetness fills the breast;
But sweeter far Thy face to see,
And in Thy presence rest.
- 2 Nor voice can sing, nor heart can frame,
Nor can the memory find
A sweeter sound than Thy blest Name,
O Saviour of mankind!

3 O Hope of every contrite heart,
 O Joy of all the meek !
 To those who fall, how kind Thou art,
 How good to those who seek !

4 But what to those who find ? ah, this
 Nor tongue nor pen can show ;
 The Love of Jesus, what it is,
 None but His loved ones know.

5 Jesus, our only Joy be Thou !
 As Thou our Prize wilt be ;
 Jesus, be Thou our Glory now,
 And through eternity !

Bernard of Clairvaux. 1153.
Edward Caswall, Tr. 1848.

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*Jesu Rex admirabilis.**C. M.*

1 O JESUS ! King most wonderful,
 Thou Conqueror renowned ;
 Thou Sweetness most ineffable,
 In whom all joys are found !

2 When once Thou visitest the heart,
 Then truth begins to shine :
 Then earthly vanities depart,
 Then kindles love divine.

3 O Jesus, Light of all below !
 Thou Fount of life and fire !
 Surpassing all the joys we know,
 All that we can desire,—

4 May every heart confess Thy Name,
 And ever Thee adore ;
 And, seeking Thee, itself inflame
 To seek Thee more and more.

5 Thee may our tongues for ever bless;
 Thee may we love alone;
 And ever in our lives express
 The image of Thine own.

Bernard of Clairvaux. 1153.
Edward Caswall, Tr. 1848.

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7s.

1 **L**ORD, and whither shall we go?
 Thou alone hast words of life!
 In our stormy griefs below,
 Who, but Thou, can heal the strife
 Sin and sorrow round us bring,
 In life's vale while wandering?

2 Blessed Christ! embodied Word!
 Thou alone art Life and Light:
 Saints who have Thy truth preferred
 Walk in peace, and worship right:
 Thou alone to sin canst say,
 "I am Love, the Living Way."

3 Sun of Grace, O ever shine
 Round our paths, where'er they lead!
 Midnight feels a ray divine
 Breaking through the darkest need,
 If we hear, when most dismayed,
 "It is I, be not afraid!"

4 Pardon, peace, and purity,
 Gifts without, and grace within,
 Love and light which set us free
 From the curse and chain of sin—
 These, Emmanuel, Thou canst give,
 While upon Thy words we live.

5 Not a want, Thou canst not fill;
 Not a fear, Thou wilt not tame;
 If, indeed, repentance will
 Rest upon Thy glorious Name,

High o'er every guilt and grave
Shall Redemption's banner wave!

6 Saviour, be our Polar Star,
Shaded by no sinful night;
Shed upon us from afar
Living beams of holy light:
When we reach our radiant home,
We shall know the Way we come.

Robert Montgomery. 1848.

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C. M.

1 **L**ORD, should we leave Thy hallowed feet,
LTo whom should we repair?
Where else such holy comforts meet,
As spring eternal there?

2 Earth has no fount of true delight,
No pure perennial stream;
And sorrow's storm, and death's long night,
Obscure life's brightest beam.

3 Unmingled joys 'tis Thine to give,
And undecaying peace;
For Thou canst teach us so to live,
That life shall never cease.

4 Thou only canst the cheering words
Of endless life supply;
Anointed of the Lord of lords,
The Son of God most high!

George Washington Doane. 1826. a.

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C. M.

1 **T**HOU art the Way: to Thee alone
TFrom sin and death we flee:
And he who would the Father seek,
Must seek Him, Lord, by Thee.

2 Thou art the Truth: Thy Word alone
Sound wisdom can impart:
Thou only canst inform the mind,
And purify the heart.

3 Thou art the Life: the rending tomb
Proclaims Thy conquering arm:
And those who put their trust in Thee,
Nor death nor hell shall harm.

4 Thou art the Way, the Truth, the Life:
Grant us that way to know,
That Truth to keep, that Life to win,
Whose joys eternal flow.

George W. Doane. 1826.

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7s.

1 **H**OLY Jesus, Saviour blest,
When by passion strong possest
Through this world of sin we stray,
Thou to guide us art the Way.

2 Holy Lord, when error's night
Dims and blinds our clouded sight,
Through the mists of sin to shine,
Thou dost rise, the Truth divine.

3 Holy Jesus, when our power
Fails us in temptation's hour,
All unequal to the strife,
Thou to aid us art the Life.

4 Who would reach the heavenly home,
Who would to the Father come,
Who the Father's presence see,
Jesus, he must come by Thee.

5 Channel of the Father's grace,
Image of the Father's face,
Saviour blest, incarnate Son,
With the Father Thou art One.

6 Glory to the Father be,
 Glory, only Son, to Thee ;
 And, of equal power confest,
 Glory to the Spirit blest.

Richard Mant. 1837. a.

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Guter Hirte, willst Du nicht.

7, 8, 7.

1 **W**ILT Thou not, my Shepherd true,
 Spare Thy Sheep, in mercy spare me ?
 Wilt Thou not, as shepherds do,
 In Thine arms rejoicing bear me,
 Bear me where all troubles cease,
 Home to folds of joy and peace ?

2 See, on earth's wide desert way,
 How my truant steps mislead me ;
 Bring me back, no more to stray,
 In Thine own green pastures feed me ;
 Gather me within the fold,
 Where Thy lambs Thy light behold.

3 With Thy flock I long to be,
 With the flock to whom 'tis given,
 Safe to feed, and, praising Thee,
 Roam the happy plains of heaven :
 Free from fear of sinful stain,
 They can never stray again.

4 Lord, I here am sore beset,
 Fears at every step confound me ;
 Lo ! my foes have spread their net,
 And with craft and might surround me ;
 Such their snares on every side,
 Safe Thy sheep can ne'er abide.

5 Jesus, Lord ! my Shepherd true,
 O from wolves Thy sheep deliver ;
 Help, as shepherds wont to do,
 From their jaws preserve me ever.

Bid Thy trembling wanderer come
To his everlasting home.

John Scheffler, 1657.

Frances Elizabeth Cox, Tr. 1841-64.

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7s.

- 1 JESUS, Lover of my soul,
 Let me to Thy bosom fly,
 While the nearer waters roll,
 While the tempest still is high !
 Hide me, O my Saviour, hide,
 Till the storm of life is past ;
 Safe into the haven guide ;
 O receive my soul at last !
- 2 Other refuge have I none ;
 Hangs my helpless soul on Thee :
 Leave, ah. leave me not alone,
 Still support and comfort me !
 All my trust on Thee is stayed,
 All my help from Thee I bring :
 Cover my defenceless head
 With the shadow of Thy wing.
- 3 Thou, O Christ, art all I want ;
 More than all in Thee I find :
 Raise the fallen, cheer the faint,
 Heal the sick, and lead the blind.
 Just and holy is Thy Name ;
 I am all unrighteousness :
 False and full of sin I am ;
 Thou art full of truth and grace.
- 4 Plenteous grace with Thee is found,
 Grace to cover all my sin ;
 Let the healing streams abound ;
 Make and keep me pure within.

Thou of life the Fountain art,
 Freely let me take of Thee :
 Spring Thou up within my heart,
 Rise to all eternity.

C. Wesley. 1740.

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7s.

- 1 SON of God, to Thee I cry !
 By the holy mystery
 Of Thy dwelling here on earth,
 By Thy pure and holy birth,—
 Lord, Thy presence let me see,
 Manifest Thyself to me !
- 2 Lamb of God, to Thee I cry !
 By Thy bitter agony,
 By Thy pangs to us unknown,
 By Thy spirit's parting groan,
 Lord, Thy presence let me see,
 Manifest Thyself to me !
- 3 Prince of Life, to Thee I cry !
 By Thy glorious majesty,
 By Thy triumph o'er the grave,
 Meek to suffer, strong to save,
 Lord, Thy presence let me see,
 Manifest Thyself to me !
- 4 Lord of glory, God most high,
 Man exalted to the sky !
 With Thy love my bosom fill ;
 Prompt me to perform Thy will :
 Then Thy glory I shall see,
 Thou wilt bring me home to Thee.

From Richard Mant. 1831.

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The Image of the Earthly.

C. M.

- 1 O MEAN may seem this house of clay,
 Yet 'twas the Lord's abode ;
 Our feet may mourn this thorny way,
 Yet here Emmanuel trod.

2 This fleshly robe the Lord did wear ;
 This watch the Lord did keep ;
 These burdens sore the Lord did bear ;
 These tears the Lord did weep !

3 This world the Master overcame ;
 This death the Lord did die :
 O vanquished world ! O glorious shame !
 O hallowed agony !

4 O vale of tears, no longer sad,
 Wherein the Lord did dwell !
 O holy robe of flesh that clad
 Our own Emmanuel !

5 Our very frailty brings us near
 Unto the Lord of heaven ;
 To every grief, to every tear,
 Such glory strange is given.

Thomas H. Gill. 1850.

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The Image of the Heavenly.

C. M.

1 'TIS not this fleshly robe alone
 Shall link us, Lord, to Thee ;
 Not always in the tear and groan
 Shall the dear kindred be.

2 Thou to our woe who down didst come,
 Who one with us wouldst be,
 Wilt lift us to Thy heavenly home,
 Wilt make us one with Thee.

3 Our earthly garments Thou hast worn,
 And we Thy robes shall wear ;
 Our mortal burdens Thou hast borne,
 And we Thy bliss may bear !

4 O mighty grace, our life to live,
 To make our earth divine ;
 O mighty grace, Thy heaven to give,
 And lift our life to Thine !

5 O strange the gifts, and marvellous,
By Thee received and given :
Thou tookest woe and death from us,
And we receive Thy heaven !

Thomas H. Gill. 1850.

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7, 6, 8.

1 JESUS, Name all names above,
Jesus, best and dearest,
Jesus, Fount of perfect love,
Holiest, tenderest, nearest ;
Jesus, Source of grace completest,
Jesus purest, Jesus sweetest,
Jesus, Well of power divine,
Make me, keep me, seal me Thine !

2 Thou didst call the prodigal ;
Thou didst pardon Mary :
Thou whose words can never fall,
Love can never vary ;
Thou whose wounds are ever pleading,
And Thy Passion interceding,
From my misery let me rise
To a home in Paradise !

3 Jesus, crowned with thorns for me,
Scourged for my transgression !
Witnessing, through agony,
That Thy good confession ;
Jesus, clad in purple raiment,
For my evils making payment ;
Let not all Thy woe and pain,
Let not Calvary, be in vain !

4 When I reach Death's bitter sea,
And its waves roll higher,
Help the more, forsaking me,
As the storm draws nigher :

Jesus, leave me not to languish,
Helpless, hopeless, full of anguish!

Tell me.—“ Verily, I say,
Thou shalt be with Me to-day !”

The Ecclitistus of the Studium. ab. 890.
John Mason Neale, Tr. 1862.

SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION.

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7s.

- 1 RULER of the hosts of light,
Death hath yielded to Thy might ;
And Thy Blood hath marked a road
Which will lead us back to God.
- 2 From Thy dwelling-place above,
From Thy Father's throne of love,
With Thy look of mercy bless
Those without Thee comfortless.
- 3 Bitter were Thy throes on earth,
Giving to the Church her birth,
From the spear-wound opening wide
In Thine own life-giving side.
- 4 Now in glory Thou dost reign,
Won by all Thy toil and pain ;
Thence the promised Spirit send,
While our prayers to Thee ascend.
- 5 Jesus, praise to Thee be given,
With the Father, high in heaven :
Holy Spirit, praise to Thee
Now and through eternity.

From John Chandler. 1837.

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S. M.

- 1 LEAVE us not comfortless,
O Thou our risen Lord !
But send Thy Spirit down, to bless
And guide us with Thy Word.

2 By Him Thy gifts impart,
 Light, peace, and joy, and love;
 Seal of adoption in our heart,
 Earnest of heaven above.

Josiah Conder. 1836.

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7s.

1 FATHER, glorify Thy Son ;
 Answer His prevailing prayer ;
 Send that Intercessor down,
 Send that other Comforter,
 Whom believingly we claim,
 Whom we ask in Jesus' name.

2 Wilt Thou not the promise seal,
 True and gracious as Thou art,
 Send the Comforter to dwell
 Every moment in our heart ?
 Yes, Thou must the grace bestow :
 Jesus said, it shall be so.

C. Wesley. 1746.

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L. M. 6l.

1 FATHER—for Thou my Father art—
 Send forth the Spirit of Thy Son ;
 Breathe Him into my longing heart,
 And make me know as I am known :
 Make me Thy conscious child, that I
 May “ Father, Abba Father,” cry !

2 O that the Comforter would come !
 Nor visit as a transient guest,
 But fix in me His constant home,
 And keep possession of my breast ;
 And make my soul His loved abode,
 The temple of the living God !

C. Wesley 1740. a.

WHITSUNDAY.

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C. H. M.

1 LET songs of praises fill the sky:
 Christ, our ascended Lord,
 Sends down His Spirit from on high,
 According to His word :
 All hail the day of Pentecost,
 The coming of the Holy Ghost !

2 The Spirit, by His heavenly breath,
 Creates new life within ;
 He quickens sinners from the death
 Of trespasses and sin :
 All hail the day of Pentecost,
 The coming of the Holy Ghost !

3 The things of Christ the Spirit takes,
 And shows them unto men :
 The fallen soul His temple makes ;
 God's image stamps again :
 All hail the day of Pentecost,
 The coming of the Holy Ghost !

4 Come, Holy Spirit, from above,
 With Thy celestial fire ;
 Come, and with flames of zeal and love
 Our hearts and tongues inspire !
 Be this our day of Pentecost,
 The coming of the Holy Ghost !

Thomas Cotterill. 1819.

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S. M.

1 LORD God, the Holy Ghost !
 In this accepted hour,
 As on the day of Pentecost,
 Descend in all Thy power.

2 We meet with one accord
 In our appointed place,
 And wait the promise of our Lord,
 The Spirit of all grace.

3 Like mighty rushing wind
Upon the waves beneath,
Move with one impulse every mind,
One soul, one feeling breathe.

4 The young, the old inspire
With wisdom from above ;
And give us hearts and tongues of fire,
To pray, and praise, and love.

5 Spirit of light, explore,
And chase our gloom away ;
With lustre shining more and more,
Unto the perfect day !

6 Spirit of truth, be Thou
In life and death our Guide ;
O Spirit of adoption, now
May we be sanctified !

James Montgomery. 1819.

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8, 7.

1 DAY divine, when in the temple
To the first disciples came
Glory new and treasure ample,
Mighty gifts and tongues of flame !
Day to happy souls commended,
When the Holy Ghost was given,
When the Comforter descended,
Bringing down the joy of heaven !

2 Lord, to-day Thy people learneth
No new wonder, no strange tale ;
Lord, to-day Thy people yearneth
Here the Holy Ghost to hail !
O'er again to write the story
Our weak trembling souls aspire :
Unto us may come the glory,
Full on us may fall the fire !

3 Hath the Holy Ghost been holden
 By those ancient saints alone ?
 Only may the ages olden
 Call the Comforter their own ?
 Ah, their portion we inherit,
 Ours the sorrow, ours the sin :
 We beseech the Holy Spirit ;
 We the Comforter would win.

Thomas H. Gill. 1853. a.

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- 1 THOU, who camest from above,
 Bringing light, and shedding love,
 Teaching Thine all-perfect way,
 Giving gifts to men to-day :
- 2 Thou who changest our lost state,
 Making us regenerate,
 Help us evermore to be
 Faithful subjects unto Thee.
- 3 Where Thou art not, none can do
 What is holy, just and true ;
 Those whose hearts Thy wisdom leads
 Think good thoughts and do good deeds.
- 4 We have often grieved Thee sore ;
 Never let us grieve Thee more.
 Thou the feeble canst protect,
 Thou the wandering canst direct.
- 5 We are dark—be Thou our Light ;
 We are blind—be Thou our Sight.
 Be our Comfort in distress,
 Guide us through the wilderness.
- 6 To the blessed Three in One,
 To the Father, and the Son,
 And the Holy Ghost, arise
 Praise from all below the skies.

John Mason Neale. 1844

THE HOLY SPIRIT.

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*Veni Creator Spiritus.***L. M.**

- 1 COME, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,
And lighten with celestial fire ;
Thou the anointing Spirit art,
Who dost Thy sevenfold gifts impart.
- 2 Thy blessed unction from above,
Is comfort, life, and fire of love.
Enable with perpetual light
The dullness of our blinded sight.
- 3 Anoint our heart and cheer our face
With the abundance of Thy grace.
Keep far our foes ; give peace at home :
Where Thou art Guide, no ill can come.
- 4 Teach us to know the Father, Son,
And Thee of Both, to be but One :
That through the ages all along,
Thy praise may be our endless song !

Charlemagne. d. 814.
Unknown, T. 1662. a.

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*Veni Sancte Spiritus.***7s.**

- 1 HOLY Spirit, Lord of Light,
From Thy clear celestial height,
Thy pure beaming radiance give ;
Come, Thou Father of the poor !
Come with treasures which endure !
Come, Thou Light of all that live !
- 2 Thou, of all consolers best,
Visiting the troubled breast,
Dost refreshing peace bestow :
Thou in toil art comfort sweet,
Pleasant coolness in the heat,
Solace in the midst of woe.

3 Light immortal! Light divine!
 Visit Thou these hearts of Thine,
 And our inmost being fill:
 If Thou take Thy grace away,
 Nothing pure in man will stay;
 All his good is turned to ill.

4 Heal our wounds, our strength renew;
 On our dryness pour Thy dew;
 Wash the stains of guilt away:
 Bend the stubborn heart and will;
 Melt the frozen, warm the chill;
 Guide the steps that go astray.

5 Thou, on those who evermore
 Thee confess and Thee adore,
 In Thy sevenfold gifts, descend;
 Give them comfort when they die,
 Give them life with Thee on high,
 Give them joys which never end.

*Robert II. of France. d. 1031.
 Edward Caswall, Tr. 1848.*

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Veni Sancte Spiritus.

6, 4.

1 COME, Holy Ghost, in love
 Shed on us from above
 Thine own bright ray!
 Divinely good Thou art;
 Thy sacred gifts impart
 To gladden each sad heart:
 O come to-day!

2 Come, tenderest Friend, and best,
 Our most delightful Guest,
 With soothing power:
 Rest, which the weary know,
 Shade, 'mid the noon tide glow,
 Peace, when deep griefs o'erflow,—
 Cheer us, this hour!

3 Come, Light serene, and still
 Our inmost bosoms fill ;
 Dwell in each breast :
 We know no dawn but Thine ;
 Send forth Thy beams divine,
 On our dark souls to shine,
 And make us blest !

4 Exalt our low desires ;
 Extinguish passion's fires ;
 Heal every wound :
 Our stubborn spirits bend ;
 Our icy coldness end ;
 Our devious steps attend,
 While heavenward bound.

5 Come, all the faithful bless ;
 Let all, who Christ confess,
 His praise employ :
 Give virtue's rich reward ;
 Victorious death accord,
 And with our glorious Lord,
 Eternal joy !

*Robert II. of France. d. 1031.
 Ray Palmer, Tr. 1858.*

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Nunc Sancte nobis Spiritus.

L. M.

1 **B**LEST Spirit, one with God above,
 Thou Source of life and holy love,
 O cheer us with Thy sacred beams,
 Refresh us with Thy plenteous streams.

2 O may our lips confess Thy Name,
 Our holy lives Thy praise proclaim :
 With love divine our hearts inspire,
 And fill us with Thy holy fire.

3 O holy Father, holy Son,
 And Holy Spirit, Three in One,

Thy grace devoutly we implore,
Thy Name be praised for evermore.

John Chandler. 1837.

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Komm, Heiliger Geist, Herre Gott!

L. M.

- 1 COME, Holy Spirit, God and Lord!
Be all Thy graces now outpoured
On the believer's mind and soul,
To strengthen, save, and make us whole.
- 2 Lord, by the brightness of Thy light,
Thou in the faith dost men unite
Of every land and every tongue:
This to Thy praise, O Lord, be sung.
- 3 Thou strong Defence, Thou holy Light,
Teach us to know our God aright,
And call Him Father from the heart:
The Word of life and truth impart:
- 4 That we may love not doctrines strange,
Nor e'er to other teachers range,
But Jesus for our Master own,
And put our trust in Him alone.
- 5 Thou sacred Ardor, Comfort sweet,
Help us to wait with ready feet
And willing heart at Thy command,
Nor trial fright us from Thy band.
- 6 Lord, make us ready with Thy powers;
Strengthen the flesh in weaker hours,
That as good warriors we may force
Through life and death to Thee our course!

Martin Luther. 1524.

Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1855. a

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O Heil'ger Geist, kehr'bei uns ein.

- 1 O HOLY Spirit, enter in,
Among these hearts Thy work begin,
Thy temple deign to make us;
Sun of the soul, Thou Light Divine,
Around and in us brightly shine,

To strength and gladness wake us.
 Where Thou shinest, Life from heaven
 There is given.
 We before Thee
 For that precious gift implore Thee.

2 Left to ourselves we shall but stray;
 O lead us on the narrow way,
 With wisest counsel guide us,
 And give us steadfastness, that we
 May henceforth truly follow Thee,
 Whatever woes betide us :
 Heal Thou gently, Hearts now broken,
 Give some token
 Thou art near us,
 Whom we trust to light and cheer us.

3 O mighty Rock ! O Source of Life,
 Let Thy dear Word, 'mid doubt and strife,
 Be so within us burning,
 That we be faithful unto death,
 In Thy pure love and holy faith,
 From Thee true wisdom learning !
 Lord, Thy graces, On us shower,
 By Thy power
 Christ confessing,
 Let us win His grace and blessing.

4 O gentle Dew, from heaven now fall
 With power upon the hearts of all,
 Thy tenderness instilling ;
 That heart to heart more closely bound,
 Fruitful in kindly deeds be found,
 The law of love fulfilling ;
 No wrath, no strife, Here shall grieve Thee,
 We receive Thee,
 Where Thou livest
 Peace and love and joy Thou givest.

5 Grant that our days, while life shall last,
 In purest holiness be past ;
 Our minds so rule and strengthen
 That they may rise o'er things of earth,
 The hopes and joys that here have birth ;
 And if our course Thou lengthen,
 Keep Thou pure, Lord, From offences,
 Heart and senses ;
 Blessed Spirit,
 Bid us thus true life inherit.

*Michael Schirmer. 1650.
 Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1862.*

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Zeuch ein zu Deinen Thoren.

7, 6.

1 O ENTER, Lord, Thy temple,
 Be Thou my spirit's Guest,
 Who at my birth didst give me
 A second birth more blest.
 Though here to dwell Thou deignest,
 Thou in the Godhead, Lord,
 For ever equal reignest,
 Art equally adored.

2 O enter, let me know Thee,
 And feel Thy power within,
 The power that breaks our fetters,
 And rescues us from sin.
 That I may serve Thee truly,
 O wash and cleanse Thou me,
 To render honor duly
 With perfect heart to Thee.

3 'Tis Thou, O Spirit, teachest
 The soul to pray aright ;
 Thy songs have sweetest music,
 Thy prayers have wondrous might.
 They pierce the highest heaven,
 Unheard they cannot fall,
 Till He His help hath given
 Who surely helpeth all.

4 The whole wide world, O Spirit,
 Upon Thy hands doth rest ;
 Our wayward hearts Thou turnest
 As it may seem Thee best.
 As Thou hast done so often,
 Once more Thy power make known,
 Convert the wicked, soften
 To tears the heart of stone.

5 Order our path in all things
 According to Thy mind,
 And when this life is over,
 And all must be resigned,
 With calm and fearless spirit
 O grant us then to die,
 And after death inherit
 Eternal life on high.

*Paul Gerhardt. 1653.
 Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1862. a.*

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O Du allersüsse Freude.

8, 7.

1 **H**OLY GHOST, dispel our sadness,
 Pierce the clouds of sinful night ;
 Come, Thou Source of sweetest gladness,
 Breathe Thy life and spread Thy light !
 Come, Thou best of all donations
 God can give, or we implore !
 Having Thy sweet consolations,
 We need wish for nothing more.

2 From that height which knows no measure,
 As a gracious shower descend,
 Bringing down the richest treasure
 Man can wish, or God can send.
 Author of the new creation !
 Come with unction and with power ;
 Make our hearts Thy habitation ;
 On our souls Thy graces shower.

3 Manifest Thy Love forever ;
 Fence us in on every side ;
 In distress be our reliever ;
 Guard and teach, support and guide.
 Hear, oh hear our supplication,
 Loving Spirit, God of peace !
 Rest upon this congregation,
 With the fulness of Thy grace.

Paul Gerhardt. 1653.

From John Christian Jacobi, Tr. 1725.

Augustus Montague Toplady, Tr. 1776. a.

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Komm, O komm, du Geist des Lebens.

8, 7, 7.

1 COME, O come, Thou quickening Spirit,
 C Thou for ever art divine :

Let Thy power never fail me,
 Always fill this heart of mine ;

Thus shall grace, and truth, and light
 Dissipate the gloom of night.

2 Grant my mind and my affections

Wisdom, counsel, purity ;

That I may be ever seeking

Naught but that which pleases Thee.

Let Thy knowledge spread and grow,
 Working error's overthrow.

3 Lead me to green pastures, lead me

By the true and living way,

Shield me from each strong temptation

That might draw my heart astray ;

And if e'er my feet should turn,

For each error let me mourn.

4 Holy Spirit, strong and mighty,

Thou who makest all things new,

Make Thy work within me perfect.

Help me by Thy Word so true,

Arm me with that Sword of Thine,

And the victory shall be mine.

5 In the faith O make me steadfast ;
 Let not Satan, death or shame
 Of my confidence deprive me ;
 Lord, my refuge is Thy Name.
 When the flesh inclines to ill,
 Let Thy Word prove stronger still.

6 And when my last hour approaches,
 Let my hopes grow yet more bright,
 (Since I am an heir of heaven,)
 In Thy glorious courts of light,
 Fairer far than voice can tell,
 There, redeemed by Christ, to dwell.

Joachim Neander. d. 1680.

Charles William Schaeffer, Tr. 1866. a.

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C. M.

1 COME, Holy Spirit, heavenly Dove,
 With all Thy quickening powers ;
 Kindle a flame of sacred love
 In these cold hearts of ours.

2 Look how we grovel here below,
 Fond of these trifling toys ;
 Our souls, how heavily they go,
 To reach eternal joys !

3 Dear Lord, and shall we ever live
 At this poor, dying rate ?
 Our love so cold, so faint to Thee,
 And Thine to us so great ?

4 Come, Holy Spirit, heavenly Dove,
 With all Thy quickening powers.
 Come, shed abroad a Saviour's Love,
 And that shall kindle ours.

Watts. 1709. a.

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S. M.

1 COME, Holy Spirit, come :
 Let Thy bright beams arise :
 Dispel the sorrow from our minds,
 The darkness from our eyes.

2 Revive our drooping faith ;
 Our doubts and fears remove ;
 And kindle in our breasts the flame
 Of never-dying love.

3 Convince us of our sin,
 Then lead to Jesus' Blood ;
 And to our wondering view reveal
 The secret Love of God.

4 'Tis Thine to cleanse the heart,
 To sanctify the soul,
 To pour fresh life on every part,
 And new create the whole.

5 Dwell, therefore, in our hearts ;
 Our minds from bondage free ;
 Then shall we know, and praise and love
 The Father, Son, and Thee.

Joseph Hart. 1759. a.

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L. M.

1 COME, gracious Spirit, heavenly Dove,
 With light and comfort from above.
 Be Thou my Guardian, Thou my Guide ;
 O'er every thought and step preside.

2 The light of truth to me display,
 That I may know and choose Thy way ;
 Plant holy fear within my heart,
 That I from Thee may ne'er depart.

3 Conduct me safe, conduct me far
 From every sin and hurtful snare ;
 Lead me to God, my final Rest,
 In His enjoyment to be blest.

4 Lead me to holiness, the road
 That I must take, to dwell with God ;
 Lead to Thy Word, that rules must give,
 And sure directions how to live.

5 Lead me to Christ, the living Way,
 Nor let me from His pastures stray.
 Lead me to heaven, the seat of bliss,
 Where pleasure in perfection is.

Simon Browne. 1720. a.

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7s.

1 GRACIOUS Spirit, Dove divine !
 G Let Thy light within me shine ;
 All my guilty fears remove,
 Fill me with Thy heavenly love.

2 Speak Thy pardoning grace to me,
 Set the burdened sinner free ;
 Lead me to the Lamb of God,
 Wash me in His precious Blood.

3 Life and peace to me impart ;
 Seal salvation on my heart ;
 Breathe Thyself into my breast,
 Earnest of immortal rest.

4 Let me never from Thee stray,
 Keep me in the narrow way :
 Fill my soul with joy divine,
 Keep me, Lord, for ever Thine.

John Stocker. 1777. a.

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1 HOLY GHOST, with light divine,
 H Shine upon this heart of mine !
 Chase the shades of night away,
 Turn the darkness into day.

2 Let me see my Saviour's face,
 Let me all His beauties trace ;
 Show those glorious truths to me,
 Which are only known to Thee.

3 Holy Ghost, with power divine,
 Cleanse this guilty heart of mine :
 In Thy mercy pity me,
 From sin's bondage set me free.

- 4 Holy Ghost, with joy divine,
Cheer this saddened heart of mine ;
Yield a sacred, settled peace,
Let it grow and still increase.
- 5 Holy Spirit, all divine,
Dwell within this heart of mine ;
Cast down every idol throne,
Reign supreme, and reign alone.
- 6 See, to Thee I yield my heart ;
Shed Thy life through every part.
A pure temple I would be,
Wholly dedicate to Thee.

Andrew Reed. 1842. a.

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7s.

- 1 **H**OLY GHOST, my soul inspire !
Spirit of the Almighty Sire,
Spirit of the Son divine,
Comforter, Thy gifts be mine !
- 2 Holy Spirit, in my breast
Grant that lively FAITH may rest,
And subdue each rebel thought
To believe what Thou hast taught.
- 3 When around my sinking soul
Gathering waves of sorrow roll,
Spirit blest, the tempest still,
And with HOPE my bosom fill.
- 4 Holy Spirit, from my mind
Thought, and wish, and will unkind,
Deed and word unkind remove,
And my bosom fill with LOVE.
- 5 Faith, and hope, and charity,
Comforter, descend from Thee :
Thou the anointing Spirit art ;
These Thy gifts to us impart !

6 Till our faith be lost in sight,
 Hope be swallowed in delight,
 Love return to dwell with Thee
 In the threefold Deity.

Richard Mant 1837. a.

TRINITY.

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C. M.

1 **H**AIL! holy, holy, holy Lord,
 Whom One in Three we know ;
 By all Thy heavenly hosts adored,
 By all Thy Church below.

2 One undivided Trinity
 With triumph we proclaim ;
 Thy universe is full of Thee,
 And speaks Thy glorious Name.

3 Thee, holy Father, we confess :
 Thee, holy Son, adore ;
 And Thee, the Holy Ghost, we bless,
 And worship evermore.

4 Hail! holy, holy, holy Lord,
 Our heavenly song shall be ;
 Supreme, essential One, adored
 In co-eternal Three !

C. Wesley. 1767. a.

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C. M.

1 **W**ITH joy our voices we unite,
 And lift our hearts above,
 To God, the God of power and might,
 To God, whose name is Love.

2 To Him, who us, and earth, and skies,
 With all their armies made,
 From us, from all, let anthems rise,
 To God the Father paid.

- 3 To Him, whose Death for all mankind,
For us, redemption won,
By us, by all, be songs combined,
In praise to God the Son.
- 4 To Him, who us and all His fold
With sanctity arrays,
To God, from all His saints enrolled,
The Holy Ghost, be praise.
- 5 To God, whose Name His Word reveals,
Whom all His saints confess,
Whose grace His faithful promise seals,
To save, to cleanse, to bless :
- 6 To God, from whom all blessings flow,
Eternal One in Three,
From all his saints, above, below,
Eternal glory be !

Richard Mant. 1837. a.

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S. M.

- 1 FATHER, in whom we live,
In whom we are and move,
The glory, power, and praise receive
Of Thy creating Love.
- 2 Incarnate Deity,
Let all the ransomed race
Render in thanks their lives to Thee,
For Thy redeeming grace.
- 3 Spirit of holiness,
Let all Thy saints adore
Thy sacred energy, and bless
Thy heart-renewing power.
- 4 Eternal triune Lord,
Let all the hosts above,
Let all the sons of men, record,
And dwell upon Thy Love.

C. Wesley. 1746.

1 COME, Thou almighty King,
 C Help us Thy Name to sing,
 Help us to praise !
 Father all glorious,
 O'er all victorious,
 Come and reign over us,
 Ancient of days.

2 Jesus, our Lord, descend ;
 From all our foes defend,
 Nor let us fall ;
 Let Thine almighty aid
 Our sure defence be made ;
 Our souls on Thee be stayed ;
 Lord, hear our call !

3 Come, Thou incarnate Word,
 Gird on Thy mighty sword,
 Our prayer attend :
 Come, and Thy people bless,
 And give Thy word success ;
 Spirit of holiness,
 On us descend.

4 Come, holy Comforter,
 Thy sacred witness bear
 In this glad hour :
 Thou who almighty art,
 Now rule in every heart,
 And ne'er from us depart,
 Spirit of power !

5 To the great One in Three
 Eternal praises be,
 Hence, evermore !
 His sovereign Majesty
 May we in glory see,
 And to eternity
 Love and adore.

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L. M.

1 FATHER of heaven ! whose Love profound
A ransom for our souls hath found,
Before Thy throne we sinners bend :
To us Thy pardoning Love extend.

2 Almighty Son ! Incarnate Word !
Our Prophet, Priest, Redeemer, Lord !
Before Thy throne we sinners bend :
To us Thy saving grace extend.

3 Eternal Spirit ! by whose breath
The soul is raised from sin and death,
Before Thy throne we sinners bend :
To us Thy quickening power extend.

4 Jehovah ! Father, Spirit, Son !
Mysterious Godhead ! Three in One !
Before Thy throne we sinners bend :
Grace, pardon, life, to us extend !

John Cooper. 1812.

THE CHURCH.

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PSALM 118.

C. M.

1 BEHOLD the sure Foundation Stone
Which God in Zion lays,
To build our heavenly hopes upon,
And His eternal praise.

2 Chosen of God, to sinners dear,
And saints adore the Name ;
They trust their whole salvation here,
Nor shall they suffer shame.

3 The foolish builders, scribe and priest,
Reject it with disdain ;
Yet on this Rock the Church shall rest,
And envy rage in vain.

4 What though the gates of hell withstood,
 Yet must this Building rise :
 'Tis Thine own work, almighty God,
 And wondrous in our eyes.

Watts. 1719.

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H. M.

1 **W**ITH songs of sacred joy
 Extol His glorious Name,
 Who reared the spacious earth,
 And raised our ruined frame.

He built the Church who spread the sky ;
 Sing and exalt His honors high.

2 See the Foundation laid
 By Power and Love divine ;
 Jesus, His first-born Son,
 How bright His glories shine !

Low He descends, in dust He lies,
 That from His tomb a Church might rise.

3 But He for ever lives,
 Nor for Himself alone ;
 Each saint new life derives
 From Him the living Stone.

His influence spreads through every soul,
 And in one house unites the whole.

4 To Him with joy we move ;
 In Him cemented stand ;
 The living temple grows,
 And owns the Founder's hand.

That Structure, Lord, still higher raise,
 Louder to sound its Builder's praise.

Doddridge. 1755. a.

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8, 7.

1 **G**LORIOUS things of Thee are spoken,
 Zion, City of our God ;
 He, whose word can not be broken,
 Formed thee for His own abode.

On the Rock of Ages founded,
 What can shake thy sure repose?
 With salvation's walls surrounded,
 Thou may'st smile at all thy foes.

2 See the streams of living waters,
 Springing from eternal love,
 Well supply thy sons and daughters,
 And all fear of want remove.
 Who can faint while such a river
 Ever flows their thirst to assuage?
 Grace, which, like the Lord, the Giver,
 Never fails from age to age.

3 Saviour, if of Zion's city
 I, through grace, a member am,
 Let the world deride or pity,
 I will glory in Thy Name.
 Fading is the worldling's pleasure,
 All his boasted pomp and show;
 Solid joys and lasting treasure
 None but Zion's children know.

John Newton. 1779.

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H. M.

1 O ZION, tune thy voice,
 And raise thy hands on high.
 Tell all the earth thy joys,
 And boast salvation nigh.
 Cheerful in God, | While rays divine
 Arise and shine, | Stream all abroad.

2 He gilds thy mourning face
 With beams that cannot fade;
 His all-resplendent grace
 He pours around thy head.
 The nations round | With lustre new,
 Thy form shall view, | Divinely crowned.

3 In honor to His Name,
 Reflect that sacred light,
 And loud that grace proclaim
 Which makes thy darkness bright.

Pursue His praise, | In worlds above
 Till sovereign Love | Thy glory raise

4 There, on His holy hill,
 A brighter Sun shall rise,
 And with His radiance fill
 Those fairer, purer skies ;

While round His throne, | In nobler spheres
 Ten thousand stars | His influence own.

Doddridge. 1755.

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Verzage nicht, du Häuflein klein.

C. P. M.

1 FEAR not, O little flock, the foe
 Who madly seeks your overthrow ;
 Dread not his rage and power :
 What though your courage sometimes faints,
 His seeming triumph o'er God's saints
 Lasts but a little hour.

2 Be of good cheer ; your cause belongs
 To Him who can avenge your wrongs ;
 Leave it to Him, our Lord.
 Though hidden yet from mortal eyes,
 Salvation shall for you arise :
 He girdeth on His sword !

3 As true as God's own Word is true,
 Not earth nor hell with all their crew
 Against us shall prevail.
 A jest and byword are they grown :
 God is with us ; we are His own ;
 Our victory cannot fail.

4 Amen, Lord Jesus, grant our prayer !
 Great Captain, now Thine arm make bare ;

Fight for us once again !
 So shall Thy saints and martyrs raise
 A mighty chorus to Thy praise,
 World without end. Amen.

*Gustavus Adolphus. 1631.
 Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1855.*

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PSALM 48.

S. M.

1 GREAT is the Lord our God,
 G And let His praise be great ;
 He makes His churches His abode,
 His most delightful seat.

2 These temples of His grace,
 How beautiful they stand !
 The honors of our native place,
 And bulwarks of our land.

3 In Zion God is known
 A refuge in distress ;
 How bright has His salvation shone
 Through all her palaces !

4 Oft have our fathers told,
 Our eyes have often seen,
 How well our God secures the fold,
 Where His own sheep have been.

5 In every new distress
 We'll to His house repair,
 We'll think upon His wondrous grace,
 And seek deliverance there.

Watts. 1719.

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8, 7.

1 ZION stands with hills surrounded ;
 Z Zion kept by power divine ;
 All her foes shall be confounded,
 Though the world in arms combine.
 Happy Zion,
 What a favored lot is thine !

2 Every human tie may perish ;
 Friend to friend unfaithful prove ;
 Mothers cease their own to cherish ;
 Heaven and earth at last remove :
 But no changes
 Can attend Jehovah's love.

3 In the furnace God may prove thee,
 Thence to bring thee forth more bright,
 But can never cease to love thee ;
 Thou art precious in His sight :
 God is with thee,
 God, thine everlasting Light.

Thomas Kelly. 1804.

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8, 7, 7.

1 SEE the vineyard Thou hast planted,
 S God of mercy, Lord of hosts !
 Let Thy people's prayer be granted,
 Keep it safe from hostile boasts.
 Hear Thy people when they pray,
 Keep Thy vineyard night and day !

2 Drooping plants revive and nourish ;
 Let them thrive beneath Thy hand ;
 Let the weak grow strong and flourish,
 Blooming fair at Thy command :
 Let the fruitful yield Thee more,
 Laden with a richer store.

3 Further, Lord, be Thou entreated ;
 Plant the barren waste around.
 Let Thy work be thus completed,
 And no fruitless spot be found.
 Let the earth a vineyard be,
 Consecrated, Lord, to Thee !

Thomas Kelly. 1806. a.

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• *Willkommen unter Deiner Schaar.* Iambic. 8, 7.

1 WE hail Thee, Lord, Thy Church's Rock,
With joyful acclamation!
Thou Guardian Shepherd of Thy flock,
Come, feed Thy congregation.
We own the doctrine of Thy Cross
To be our sole foundation :
Accept from every one of us
The deepest adoration.

2 O Thou, who always dost abide
Thy Church's Head and Saviour,
Be still Thy servants' constant Guide,
Direct our whole behavior.
Thy statutes to Thy Church declare,
Still watch o'er its salvation :
Each member make Thy special care
And aid him in his station.

3 Jesus, the Church's Head and Lord,
Who as a shepherd leadest,
And with Thy precious Blood and Word
Thy people richly feedest :
For mercies in such countless throng
We bow our hearts before Thee,
And hope we shall in heaven ere long
More worthily adore Thee.

Nicholas Louis, Count Zinzendorf. 1741.
Moravian, Tr. 1789.

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Festival of the Reformation.

C. M.

1 LORD, not to us, we claim it not,
To Thee be all the praise,
That no profane and sinful spot
Our mother Church o'erlays :
That, as in her primeval days,
From intermediate stain
Cleansed by Thy Word, to Thee she pays
Unsullied rites again.

2 To no material form confined,
 A spirit pure alone,
 We serve Thee not in likeness shrined
 Of bread, or wood, or stone :
 Nor saint nor angel at Thy throne
 We crave to intercede,
 With Thee for our misdeeds atone,
 With Thee for mercy plead.

3 But far remote we seek Thy face,
 Hid in Thy heavenly seat :
 And, sole Transmitter of Thy grace,
 The Saviour's Name entreat :
 And thus to Thee with honor meet
 We hymn the grateful lay,
 Whose Word recalled our erring feet,
 And warned us how to pray.

4 To Thee, adored in ages past,
 Eternal One and Three,
 To Thee, whose worship aye shall last,
 In trinal Unity :
 To Thee, O Father ; Son, to Thee ;
 And Thee, O Spirit blest,
 By saints on earth all glory be
 With saints in heaven addrest !

Richard Mant. 1837. a.

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Ein feste Burg ist unser Gott.

1 A MIGHTY Fortress is our God,
 A trusty Shield and Weapon ;
 He helps us free from every need
 That hath us now o'er taken.
 The old bitter foe
 Means us deadly woe :
 Deep guile and great might
 Are his dread arms in fight,
 On earth is not his equal.

2 With might of ours can naught be done,
 Soon were our loss effected ;
 But for us fights the Valiant One
 Whom God himself elected.
 Ask ye, Who is this ?
 Jesus Christ it is,
 Of Sabaoth Lord,
 And there's none other God,
 He holds the field for ever.

3 Though devils all the world should fill,
 All watching to devour us,
 We tremble not, we fear no ill,
 They cannot overpower us.
 This world's prince may still
 Scowl fierce as he will,
 He can harm us none,
 He's judged, the deed is done,
 One little word o'erthrows him.

4 The Word they still shall let remain,
 And not a thank have for it,
 He's by our side upon the plain,
 With his good gifts and Spirit,
 Take they then our life,
 Goods, fame, child and wife ;
 When their worst is done,
 They yet have nothing won,
 The Kingdom ours remaineth.

Martin Luther. 1529.

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PSALM 137.

S. M.

1 I LOVE Thy Zion, Lord,
 I The house of Thine abode ;
 The Church our blest Redeemer saved
 With His own precious Blood.

2 I love Thy Church, O God!
 Her walls before Thee stand,
 Dear as the apple of Thine eye,
 And graven on Thy hand.

3 For her my tears shall fall;
 For her my prayers ascend:
 To her my cares and toils be given,
 Till toils and cares shall end.

4 Beyond my highest joy
 I prize her heavenly ways,
 Her sweet communion, solemn vows,
 Her hymns of love and praise.

5 Jesus, Thou Friend divine,
 Our Saviour and our King,
 Thy hand from every snare and foe,
 Shall great deliverance bring.

6 Sure as Thy truth shall last,
 To Zion shall be given
 The brightest glories earth can yield,
 And brighter bliss of heaven.

Timothy Dwight. 1800. a.

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Iambic. 8, 7.

1 **L**ORD, in Thy kingdom there shall be
 No aliens from each other,
 But even as he loves himself
 Each saint shall love his brother.

2 When in Thy courts below we meet
 To mourn our sinful living,
 And with united hearts repeat
 Confession, creed, thanksgiving:

3 Make us to hear in each sweet word
 Thy Holy Spirit calling
 To oneness with Thy Church and Thee,
 That heavenly bond forestalling.

4 One Baptism and one faith have we,
 One Spirit sent to win us,
 One Lord, one Father, and one God,
 Above, and through, and in us.

5 Never, by schism, or by sin,
 May we that union sever,
 Till all, to perfect stature grown,
 Are one with Thee for ever.

Joseph Anstice. 1836.

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H. M.

1 ONE sole baptismal sign,
 One Lord, below, above,
 Zion, one faith is thine,
 One only watchword, Love.
 From different temples though it rise,
 One song ascendeth to the skies.

2 Our Sacrifice is one ;
 One Priest before the throne,
 The slain, the risen Son,
 Redeemer, Lord alone.
 Thou who didst raise Him from the dead,
 Unite Thy people in their Head !

3 O may that holy prayer,
 His tenderest and His last,
 His constant, latest care,
 Ere to His throne He passed,
 No longer unfulfilled remain,
 The world's offence, His people's stain !

4 Head of Thy Church beneath,
 The catholic, the true,
 On all her members breathe,
 Her broken frame renew !
 Then shall Thy perfect will be done,
 When Christians love and live as one.

George Robinson. 1343. a.

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Herz und Herz vereint zusammen.

7s.

- 1 JESUS, truest Friend, unite
All Thy consecrated band,
That their hearts be set aright
To fulfil Thy last command.
- 2 Thou who dost command that all
Practise love who bear Thy name,
Wake the dead, new followers call,
Touch the slothful with Thy flame.
- 3 Let us live, O Lord, at one,
As Thou with the Father art ;
That through all the world be none
Of Thy members left apart.
- 4 Let us find what Thou hast sought ;
In the Son be all men freed,
And the world at last be taught
That Thy rule is blest indeed.
- 5 Father of all souls, we praise
Thee, who shinest in the Son ;
Lord, to Thee our hymns we raise,
Who hast all men to Thee drawn !

*Nicholas Louis, Count Zinzendorf. 1725.
Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1855. a.*

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C. P. M.

- 1 M AY we Thy precepts, Lord, fulfil,
And do on earth our Father's will,
As angels do above :
Still walk in Christ, the living Way,
With all Thy children, and obey
The law of Christian love.
- 2 So may we join Thy Name to bless,
Thy grace adore, Thy power confess,

From sin and strife to flee :
 One is our calling, one our name,
 The end of all our hopes the same,
 A crown of life with Thee.

3 Spirit of life, of love and peace,
 Unite our hearts, our joy increase,
 Thy gracious help supply :
 To each of us the blessing give,
 In Christian fellowship to live,
 In joyful hope to die.

Edward Osler. 1836. a.

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C. M.

1 FATHER of all, from whom we trace
 Our universal kind,
 Teach us to all of human race
 To show a brother's mind.

2 Saviour of men, 'twas Thine the pain
 Of death for all to bear ;
 In concord all Thy followers train,
 Meet for the name they share.

3 Spirit of grace, God's chosen fold
 Who lavest with heavenly dew,
 O grant that all, the Truth who hold,
 May peace with all pursue.

4 O may mankind in love agree,
 Sons of one parent stock ;
 But chief may Christian verity
 Connect the Christian flock !

5 May Truth to all who hear its sound
 A bond of union prove ;
 And fellowship of faith be crowned
 With fellowship of love !

6 Paternal Godhead, praise to Thee,
 Thy Spirit, and Thy Son !
 And keep Thy Church in unity,
 As Thou with them art one !

Richard Mant. 1837. a.

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C. M.

1 **H**APPY the souls to Jesus joined,
 And saved by grace alone :
 Walking in all His ways they find
 Their heaven on earth begun.

2 The Church triumphant in Thy Love,
 Their mighty joys we know :
 They sing the Lamb in hymns above,
 And we in hymns below.

3 Thee in Thy glorious realm they praise,
 And bow before Thy throne ;
 We in the kingdom of Thy grace :
 The kingdoms are but one.

4 The Holy to the Holiest leads ;
 From hence our spirits rise ;
 And he that in Thy statutes treads
 Shall meet Thee in the skies.

C. Wesley. 1745. a.

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C. M.

1 **C**OME, let us join our friends above,
 That have obtained the prize,
 And on the eagle wings of love
 To joy celestial rise.

2 Let all the saints terrestrial sing,
 With those to glory gone ;
 For all the servants of our King,
 In earth and heaven, are one.

- 3 One family, we dwell in Him,
One Church above, beneath ;
Though now divided by the stream,
The narrow stream of death.
- 4 One army of the living God,
To His command we bow ;
Part of His host has crossed the flood,
And part is crossing now.
- 5 His militant, embodied host,
With wishful looks we stand,
And long to see that happy coast,
And reach that heavenly land.
- 6 Even now by faith we join our hands
With those that went before,
And greet the blood-besprinkled bands
On the eternal shore.
- 7 Lord Jesus, be our constant Guide,
And when the word is given,
Bid the cold waves of death divide,
And land us all in heaven.

C. Wesley. 1759. a.

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C. P. M.

- 1 O GOD, in whom the happy dead
Still live united to their Head,
Their Lord and ours the same :
For all Thy saints, to memory dear,
Departed in Thy faith and fear,
We bless Thy holy Name.
- 2 By the same grace upheld, may we
So follow those who followed Thee,
As with them to partake
The free reward of heavenly bliss.
Merciful Father ! grant us this,
For our Redeemer's sake.

Josiah Conder. 1836

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S. M.

1 FOR all Thy saints, O Lord,
 E Who strove in Thee to live,
 W Who followed Thee, obeyed, adored,
 Our grateful hymn receive.

2 For all Thy saints, O Lord,
 Accept our thankful cry,
 Who counted Thee their great reward,
 And strove in Thee to die.

3 They all, in life or death,
 With Thee, their Lord, in view,
 Learned from Thy Holy Spirit's breath
 To suffer and to do.

4 For this, Thy Name we bless,
 And humbly pray that we
 May follow them in holiness,
 And live and die in Thee:

5 With them the Father, Son,
 And Holy Ghost to praise,
 As in the ancient days was done,
 And shall through endless days.

Richard Mant. 1837.

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S. M.

1 HOW beauteous are their feet,
 H Who stand on Zion's hill!
 Who bring salvation on their tongues,
 And words of peace reveal.

2 How charming is their voice!
 How sweet the tidings are!
 "Zion behold thy Saviour King;
 He reigns and triumphs here."

3 How happy are our ears,
That hear this joyful sound,
Which kings and prophets waited for,
And sought, but never found !

4 How blessed are our eyes,
That see this heavenly light !
Prophets and kings desired it long,
But died without the sight.

5 The watchmen join their voice,
And tuneful notes employ ;
Jerusalem breaks forth in songs,
And deserts learn the joy.

6 The Lord makes bare His arm
Through all the earth abroad ;
Let all the nations now behold
Their Saviour and their God.

Watts. 1709. a.

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C. P. M.

1 **L**ORD of the Church, we humbly pray
For those who guide us in Thy way,
And speak Thy holy Word :
With love divine their hearts inspire,
And touch their lips with hallowed fire,
And needful grace afford.

2 Help them to preach the truth of God,
Redemption through the Saviour's Blood :
Nor let the Spirit cease
On all the Church His gifts to shower ;
To them a messenger of power,
To us, of life and peace.

3 So may they live to Thee alone :
Then hear the welcome word, " Well done ! "

And take their crown above:
 Enter into their Master's joy,
 And all eternity employ
 In praise, and bliss, and love.

Edward Osler. 1836.

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L. M.

- 1 JESUS, Thy wandering sheep behold!
 See, Lord, with tender pity see
 Poor souls that cannot find the fold,
 Till sought and gathered in by Thee.
- 2 Lost are they now, and scattered wide,
 In pain, and weariness, and want:
 With no kind Shepherd near to guide
 The sick and spiritless and faint.
- 3 Thou, only Thou, the kind and good,
 The great redeeming Shepherd art;
 Collect Thy flock, and give them food,
 And pastors after Thine own heart.
- 4 A double portion from above
 Of Thine all-quicken grace impart;
 Shed forth Thy universal love
 In every faithful pastor's heart.

C. Wesley. 1742. a

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S. M.

- 1 LORD of the harvest, hear
 Thy needy servants' cry;
 Answer our faith's effectual prayer,
 And all our wants supply.
- 2 On Thee we humbly wait;
 Our wants are in Thy view;
 The harvest truly, Lord, is great,
 The laborers are few.
- 3 Anoint and send forth more
 Into Thy Church abroad,
 And let them speak Thy word of power,
 As workers with their God.

4 O let them spread Thy Name,
 Their mission fully prove ;
 Thy universal grace proclaim,
 Thy all-redeeming Love.

C. Wesley. 1742. 1.

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L. M. 6t.

LORD of the Gospel harvest, send
 More laborers forth into Thy field :
 More pastors teach Thy flock to tend :
 More workmen raise Thy house to build :
 His work and place to each assign,
 And clothe their word with power divine.

C. Wesley. 1758.

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Wach auf, Du Geist.

L. M. 6t.

1 **A** WAKE, thou Spirit, who didst fire
 The watchmen of the Church's youth,
 Who faced the foe's envenomed ire,
 Who witnessed day and night Thy truth,
 Whose voices loud are ringing still,
 And bringing hosts to know Thy will.

2 Lord, let our earnest prayer be heard,
 The prayer Thy Son hath bid us pray,
 For lo, Thy children's hearts are stirred
 In every land in this our day,
 To cry with fervent soul to Thee,
 O help us, Lord ! so let it be !

3 O haste to help, ere we are lost !
 Send preachers forth, in spirit strong,
 Armed with Thy Word, a dauntless host,
 Bold to attack the rule of wrong ;
 Let them the earth for Thee reclaim,
 Thy heritage, to know Thy Name.

4 Would there were help within our walls !
 O let Thy Spirit come again,
 Before whom every barrier falls,
 And now once more shine forth as then !

O rend the heavens and make us free!
Come, Lord, and bring us back to Thee!

5 And let Thy Word have speedy course,
Through every land be glorified,
Till all the heathen know its force,
And fill Thy churches far and wide;
Wake Israel from her sleep, O Lord,
And spread the conquests of Thy Word!

6 The Church's desert paths restore;
Let stumbling-blocks that in them lie
Hinder Thy Word henceforth no more:
Error destroy, and heresy,
And let Thy Church, from hirelings free,
Bloom as a garden fair to Thee!

*Charles Henry Bengtzy. 1749.
Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1855.*

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Laying of a Corner-stone.

7, 6, 8.

1 THOU, who hast in Zion laid
The true Foundation-Stone,
And with those a covenant made
Who build on that alone:
Hear us, Architect divine!
Great Builder of Thy Church below!
Now upon Thy servants shine,
Who seek Thy praise to show.

2 Earth is Thine; her thousand hills
Thy mighty hand sustains;
Heaven Thy awful presence fills;
O'er all Thy glory reigns:
Yet the place of all prepared
By regal David's favored son,
Thy peculiar blessing shared,
And stood Thy chosen throne.

3 We, like Jesse's son, would raise
 A temple to the Lord ;
 Sound throughout its courts His praise,
 His saving Name record ;
 Dedicate a house to Him
 Who once, in mortal weakness shrined,
 Sorrowed, suffered, to redeem,
 To rescue all mankind.

4 Father, Son, and Spirit, send
 The consecrating flame ;
 Now in majesty descend,
 Inscribe the living Name :
 That great Name by which we live,
 Now write on this accepted stone ;
 Us into Thy hands receive ;
 Our temple make Thy throne.

Agnes Bulmer. 1831.

Dedication.

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Angulare Fundamentum.

s, 7.

1 CHRIST, Thou art the sure Foundation,
 C Thou the Head and Corner-stone ;
 Chosen of the Lord, and precious,
 Binding all the Church in one ;
 Thou Thy Zion's help for ever,
 And her Confidence alone.

2 To this temple, where we call Thee,
 Come, O Lord of Hosts, to-day !
 With Thy wonted loving-kindness
 Hear Thy servants as they pray ;
 And Thy fullest benediction
 Shed within these walls alway.

3 Here vouchsafe to all Thy servants
 What they ask of Thee to gain,
 What they gain from Thee for ever

With the blessed to retain,
And hereafter in Thy glory
Evermore with Thee to reign.

4 Praise and honor to the Father,
Praise and honor to the Son,
Praise and honor to the Spirit,
Ever Three and ever One;
One in might, and one in glory,
While eternal ages run.

John Mason Neale. 1851. a

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Urbs beata Hierusalem.

8, 7.

1 COME Thou now, and be among us,
Lord and Maker, while we pray:
Let Thy presence fill the temple
Which we dedicate to-day;
And, Thyself its Consecrator,
Dwell within its walls alway.

2 Grant that all Thy faithful people
May Thy truer temple be;
Neither flesh, nor soul, nor spirit,
Know another Lord than Thee;
But, to Thee once dedicated,
Serve Thee everlasting.

3 Bright be here the Monarch's altar,
With the presents that we bring;
Held in holy veneration,
Rich with many an offering;
Ever hallowed, ever quiet,
Ever dear to God its King.

4 Here our souls, as Thy true altars,
Deign to hallow and to bless,
O Thou future Judge of all men,
With Thy grace and holiness:
That Thy gifts sent down from heaven,
We may evermore possess.

5 Praise and honor to the Father ;
 Praise and honor to the Son ;
 Praise and honor to the Spirit,
 Ever Three and ever One ;
 Consubstantial, coeternal,
 While unending ages run.

John Mason Neale. 1856.

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7s.

1 **L**ORD of hosts, to Thee we raise
 Here a house of prayer and praise ;
 Thou Thy people's hearts prepare
 Here to meet for praise and prayer.

2 Let the living here be fed
 With Thy Word, the heavenly bread ;
 Here reveal Thy mercy sure,
 While the sun and moon endure.

3 Hallelujah!—earth and sky
 To the joyful sound reply ;
 Hallelujah!—hence ascend
 Prayer and praise till time shall end.

James Montgomery. 1821.

MISSIONS.

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PSALM 72.

L. M.

1 **J**ESUS shall reign where'er the sun
 Does his successive journeys run ;
 His kingdom stretch from shore to shore
 Till moons shall wax and wane no more.

2 For Him shall endless prayer be made,
 And endless praises crown His head ;
 His Name, like sweet perfume, shall rise
 With every morning sacrifice.

- 3 People and realms of every tongue
Dwell on His Love with sweetest song ;
And infant voices shall proclaim
Their early blessings on His Name.
- 4 Blessings abound where'er He reigns ;
The prisoner leaps to lose his chains ;
The weary find eternal rest,
And all the sons of want are blest.
- 5 Where He displays His healing power,
Death and the curse are known no more ;
In Him the tribes of Adam boast
More blessings than their father lost.
- 6 Let every creature rise and bring
Peculiar honors to our King ;
Angels descend with songs again,
And earth repeat the loud Amen.

Watts. 1719. a.

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8, 7.

- 1 O 'ER those gloomy hills of darkness
Look, my soul, be still and gaze :
All the promises do travail
With a glorious day of grace.
Blessed Jubilee,
Let thy glorious morning dawn.
- 2 Let the Indian, let the Negro,
Let the rude Barbarian see
That divine and glorious conquest,
Once obtained on Calvary ;
Let the Gospel
Wide resound from pole to pole.
- 3 Kingdoms wide that sit in darkness,
Grant them, Lord, the glorious light,
And from eastern coast to western

May the morning chase the night ;
 And redemption,
 Freely purchased, win the day.

4 May the glorious day approaching,
 Thine eternal Love proclaim,
 And the everlasting Gospel
 Spread abroad Thy holy Name,
 O'er the borders
 Of the great Immanuel's land.

5 Fly abroad, thou mighty Gospel,
 Win and conquer, never cease ;
 May thy lasting wide dominions
 Multiply and still increase ;
 Sway Thy sceptre,
 Saviour, all the world around.

William Williams. 1772. a.

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7, 6.

1 FROM Greenland's icy mountains,
 From India's coral strand ;
 Where Afric's sunny fountains
 Roll down their golden sand ;
 From many an ancient river,
 From many a palmy plain,
 They call us to deliver
 Their land from error's chain.

2 What though the spicy breezes
 Blow soft o'er Ceylon's isle ;
 Though every prospect pleases,
 And only man is vile :
 In vain with lavish kindness
 The gifts of God are strown :
 The heathen, in his blindness,
 Bows down to wood and stone.

3 Shall we, whose souls are lighted
 With wisdom from on high,
 Shall we to men benighted
 The lamp of life deny ?
 Salvation, O salvation !
 The joyful sound proclaim,
 Till each remotest nation
 Has learned Messiah's Name.

4 Waft, waft, ye winds, His story,
 And you, ye waters, roll,
 Till, like a sea of glory,
 It spreads from pole to pole ;
 Till o'er our ransomed nature
 The Lamb for sinners slain,
 Redeemer, King, Creator,
 In bliss returns to reign.

Reginald Heber. 1823.

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PSALM 72.

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1 **H**ASTEN, Lord, the glorious time,
 When, beneath Messiah's sway,
 Every nation, every clime,
 Shall the gospel call obey.

2 Mightiest kings His power shall own,
 Heathen tribes His Name adore ;
 Satan and his host, o'erthrown,
 Bound in chains shall hurt no more.

3 Then shall war and tumults cease,
 Then be banished grief and pain ;
 Righteousness and joy and peace
 Undisturbed shall ever reign.

4 Bless we, then, our gracious Lord,
 Ever praise His glorious Name ;
 All His mighty acts record,
 All His wondrous Love proclaim.

Harriet Auber. 1829.

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ISAIAH 52:15.

8, 7.

1 SAVIOUR, sprinkle many nations,
Fruitful let Thy sorrows be!
By Thy pains and consolations
Draw the Gentiles unto Thee!
Of Thy Cross the wondrous story
Be it to the nations told;
Let them see Thee in Thy glory,
And Thy mercy manifold!

2 Far and wide, though all unknowing,
Pants for Thee each mortal breast:
Human tears for Thee are flowing,
Human hearts in Thee would rest.
Thirsting as for dews of even,
As the new-mown grass for rain,
Thee they seek, as God of heaven,
Thee as Man, for sinners slain.

3 Saviour! lo, the isles are waiting,
Stretched the hand, and strained the sight,
For Thy spirit new-creating,
Love's pure flame, and wisdom's light.
Give the word, and of the preacher
Speed the foot, and touch the tongue,
Till on earth, by every creature,
Glory to the Lamb be sung.

Arthur Cleveland Coxe. 1851.

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L. M.

1 O SPIRIT of the living God!
In all Thy plenitude of grace,
Where'er the foot of man hath trod,
Descend on our apostate race!

2 Give tongues of fire and hearts of love,
To preach the reconciling Word;
Give power and unction from above,
Where'er the joyful sound is heard.

3 Be darkness, at Thy coming, light ;
 Confusion, order, in Thy path ;
 Souls without strength inspire with might ;
 Bid mercy triumph over wrath.

4 Baptize the nations ; far and nigh
 The triumphs of the Cross record ;
 The Name of Jesus glorify,
 Till every kindred call Him Lord.

5 God from eternity hath willed,
 All flesh shall His salvation see ;
 So be the Father's Love fulfilled,
 The Saviour's sufferings crowned through Thee

James Montgomery. 1825.

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6, 4.

1 **T**HOU, whose almighty word
 Chaos and darkness heard,
 And took their flight ;
 Hear us, we humbly pray ;
 And where the gospel day
 Sheds not its glorious ray,
 Let there be light !

2 Thou, who didst come to bring,
 On Thy redeeming wing,
 Healing and sight,
 Health to the sick in mind,
 Sight to the inly blind,
 O, now to all mankind
 Let there be light !

3 Spirit of truth and love,
 Life-giving, holy Dove,
 Speed forth Thy flight ;
 Move on the waters' face,
 Bearing the lamp of grace,
 And in earth's darkest place
 Let there be light !

4 Holy and blessed Three,
 Glorious Trinity,
 Wisdom, Love, Might !
 Boundless as ocean's tide
 Rolling in fullest pride,
 Through the earth, far and wide,
 Let there be light !

John Marriott. 1813.

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For the Jews.

7, 6.

1 O THAT the Lord's salvation
 Were out of Zion come,
 To heal His ancient nation,
 To lead His outcasts home !

2 How long the holy city
 Shall heathen feet profane ?
 Return, O Lord, in pity ;
 Rebuild her walls again.

3 Let fall Thy rod of terror,
 Thy saving grace impart ;
 Roll back the veil of error,
 Release the fettered heart.

4 Let Israel, home returning,
 Her lost Messiah see ;
 Give oil of joy for mourning,
 And bind Thy Church to Thee.

Henry Francis Lyte. 1834.

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For our Land.

7s.

1 COME, divine Emmanuel, come,
 Take possession of Thy home ;
 Now Thy mercy's wings expand,
 Stretch throughout the happy land.

2 Carry on Thy victory,
 Spread Thy rule from sea to sea ;

Rescue all Thy ransomed race,
Save us, save us, Lord, by grace.

- 3 Take the purchase of Thy Blood,
Bring us to a pardoning God :
Give us eyes to see our day,
Hearts the Gospel truth to obey :
- 4 Ears to hear the Gospel sound,—
Grace doth more than sin abound ;
God appeased, and man forgiven,
Peace on earth, and joy in heaven.
- 5 O that every soul might be
Perfectly subdued to Thee !
O that all in Thee might know
Everlasting life below !
- 6 Now Thy mercy's wings expand,
Stretch throughout the happy land :
Take possession of Thy home ;
Come, divine Emmanuel, come !

C. Wesley. 1749. a.

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7s.

- 1 **H**ARK ! the song of Jubilee,
Loud as mighty thunders roar,
Or the fulness of the sea,
When it breaks upon the shore :
Hallelujah ! for the Lord
God omnipotent shall reign ;
Hallelujah ! let the word
Echo round the earth and main.
- 2 Hallelujah ! hark ! the sound,
From the depths unto the skies,
Wakes above, beneath, around,
All creation's harmonies :

See Jehovah's banner furled,
 Sheathed His sword; He speaks—'tis done;
 And the kingdoms of this world
 Are the kingdoms of His Son.

3 He shall reign from pole to pole
 With illimitable sway:
 He shall reign, when like a scroll
 Yonder heavens have passed away:
 Then the end ;—beneath His rod
 Man's last enemy shall fall;
 Hallelujah! Christ in God,
 God in Christ, is all in all.

James Montgomery. 1819.

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7, 6.

1 **A**ND is the time approaching,
 By prophets long foretold,
 When all shall dwell together,
 One Shepherd, and one fold?
 Shall every idol perish,
 To moles and bats be thrown,
 And every prayer be offered
 To God in Christ alone?

2 Shall Jew and Gentile meeting
 From many a distant shore,
 Around one altar kneeling,
 One common Lord adore?
 Shall all that now divides us
 Remove and pass away,
 Like shadows of the morning
 Before the blaze of day?

3 Shall all that now unites us
 More sweet and lasting prove,
 A closer bond of union,
 In a blest land of love?

Shall war be learned no longer,
 Shall strife and tumult cease,
 All earth His blessed kingdom,
 The Lord and Prince of Peace ?

4 O long-expected dawning,
 Come with thy cheering ray !
 When shall the morning brighten,
 The shadows flee away ?
 O sweet anticipation !
 It cheers the watchers on,
 To pray, and hope, and labor,
 Till the dark night be gone.

June Borthwick. 1863.

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REVELATION xv. 3, 4.

10, 11.

1 HOW wondrous and great Thy Works, God of
 praise !
 How just, King of saints, and true are Thy ways !
 O who shall not fear Thee, and honor Thy Name ?
 Thou only art holy, Thou only supreme !

2 To nations long dark Thy light shall be shown :
 Their worship and vows shall come to Thy throne.
 Thy truth and Thy judgments shall spread all
 abroad,
 Till earth's every people confess Thee their God.

Henry Ustic Onderdonk. 1826.

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PSALM 117.

L. M.

1 FROM all that dwell below the skies
 F Let the Creator's praise arise ;
 Let the Redeemer's Name be sung
 Through every land, by every tongue.

2 Eternal are Thy mercies, Lord,
 Eternal truth attends Thy Word.
 Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore,
 Till suns shall rise and set no more.

Watts. 1719.

THE WORD OF GOD.

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PSALM 19.

L. P. M.

1 I LOVE the volume of Thy Word :
 What light and joy those leaves afford
 To souls benighted and distrest !
 Thy precepts guide my doubtful way ;
 Thy fear forbids my feet to stray ;
 Thy promise leads my heart to rest.

2 From the discoveries of Thy law
 The perfect rules of life I draw ;
 These are my study and delight :
 Not honey so invites the taste,
 Nor gold that hath the furnace passed
 Appears so pleasing to the sight.

3 Thy threatenings wake my slumbering eyes,
 And warn me where my danger lies ;
 But 'tis Thy blessed Gospel, Lord,
 That makes my guilty conscience clean,
 Converts my soul, subdues my sin,
 And gives a free, but large reward.

4 Who knows the errors of his thoughts ?
 My God, forgive my secret faults,
 And from presumptuous sins restrain.
 Accept my poor attempts of praise,
 That I have read Thy Book of grace
 And book of nature not in vain.

Watts. 1719.

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C. M.

1 HOW precious is the Book divine,
 By inspiration given !
 Bright as a lamp its doctrines shine,
 To guide our souls to heaven.

- 2 It sweetly cheers our drooping hearts
In this dark vale of tears ;
Life, light, and joy it still imparts,
And quells our rising fears.
- 3 This Lamp, through all the tedious night
Of life, shall guide our way,
Till we behold the clearer light
Of an eternal day.

John Flawcett. 1782.

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C. M.

- 1 FATHER of mercies, in Thy Word
What endless glory shines !
For ever be Thy Name adored
For these celestial lines.
- 2 Here the Redeemer's welcome voice
Spreads heavenly peace around ;
And life and everlasting joys
Attend the blissful sound.
- 3 O may these heavenly pages be
My ever dear delight ;
And still new beauties may I see,
And still increasing light !
- 4 Divine Instructor, gracious Lord !
Be Thou for ever near ;
Teach me to love Thy sacred Word,
And view my Saviour there.

Anne Steele. 1760.

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C. M.

- 1 A GLORY gilds the sacred page,
Majestic like the sun ;
It gives a light to every age,
It gives, but borrows none.
- 2 The Hand that gave it still supplies
His gracious light and heat.
His truths upon the nations rise ;
They rise, but never set.

3 Let everlasting thanks be Thine,
 For such a bright display
 As makes a world of darkness shine
 With beams of heavenly day.

4 My soul rejoices to pursue
 The steps of Him I love,
 Till glory breaks upon my view
 In brighter worlds above.

William Cowper. 1779.

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PSALM 119.

C. M.

1 **H**OW shall the young secure their hearts,
 And guard their lives from sin ?
 Thy Word the choicest rules imparts
 To keep the conscience clean.

2 'Tis like the sun, a heavenly light,
 That guides us all the day ;
 And through the dangers of the night
 A lamp to lead our way.

3 The starry heavens Thy rule obey,
 The earth maintains her place ;
 And these Thy servants, night and day,
 Thy skill and power express.

4 But still Thy Law and Gospel, Lord,
 Have lessons more divine ;
 Not earth stands firmer than Thy Word,
 Nor stars so nobly shine.

5 Thy Word is everlasting truth :
 How pure is every page !
 That holy Book shall guide our youth,
 And well support our age.

Watts. 1719.

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Trochaic. 6s.

1 **L**ORD, Thy Word abideth,
 And our footsteps guideth ;
 Who its truth believeth
 Light and joy receiveth.

- 2 When our foes are near us,
Then Thy Word doth cheer us,
Word of consolation,
Message of salvation.
- 3 When the storms are o'er us,
And dark clouds before us,
Then its light directeth,
And our way protecteth.
- 4 Who can tell the pleasure,
Who recount the treasure,
By Thy Word imparted
To the simple-hearted ?
- 5 Word of mercy, giving
Succor to the living ;
Word of life, supplying
Comfort to the dying !
- 6 O that we, discerning
Its most holy learning,
Lord, may love and fear Thee,
Evermore be near Thee !

Sir Henry William Baker. 1861.

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Dein Wort, O Herr, ist milder Thau.

C. M.

- 1 **T**HY Word, O Lord, like gentle dews,
Falls soft on hearts that pine ;
Lord, to Thy garden ne'er refuse
This heavenly balm of Thine.
Watered by Thee, let every tree
Forth blossom to Thy praise,
By grace of Thine bear fruit divine,
Through all the coming days.
- 2 Thy Word is like a flaming sword,
A wedge that cleaveth stone ;
Keen as a fire, so burns Thy Word,
And pierceth flesh and bone.

Let it go forth o'er all the earth,
 To cleanse our hearts within,
 To show Thy power in Satan's hour,
 And break the might of sin.

3 Thy Word, a wondrous guiding star,
 On pilgrim hearts doth rise,
 Leads those to God who dwell afar,
 And makes the simple wise.
 Let not its light e'er sink in night ;
 In every spirit shine,
 That none may miss heaven's final bliss,
 Led by Thy light divine.

*Charles Bernard Garre. 1825.
 From Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1855.*

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C. M.

1 ACCEPT, O Lord, Thy servants' thanks
 A For Thy enlivening Word,
 By Thy most Holy Spirit taught,
 By holy prophets heard.
 That Word in Thy recording Book
 From age to age descends :
 Her teaching here Thy Church begins,
 And here her teaching ends.

2 Whate'er of truth the soul can need
 To clear her darkling sight,
 Whate'er to check the wandering feet,
 And guide their course aright ;
 Whate'er of fear the bad to daunt,
 Of hope the good to cheer :
 All that may profit man, O Lord,
 Thy bounty gives us here.

3 Joined with our household's little church,
 And in our lonely hours,
 And in the assembly of the saints,
 That sacred Word be ours,

To read and hear, to mark and learn,
 And inwardly digest ;
 And He who gave the Word, may He
 On those who learn it, rest !

4 Thence on our hearts may lively faith
 Celestial comfort pour,
 With patience, lightener of our ills,
 And hope that looks before :
 That we, with Thy united Church,
 May lift our souls above,
 And with one mind and mouth proclaim
 Thy glory, God of love !

Richard Mant. 1837.

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Erhalt uns, Herr, bei Deinem Wort.

L. M.

1 **L**ORD, keep us steadfast in Thy Word :
 Curb those who fain by craft or sword
 Would wrest the kingdom from Thy Son,
 And set at naught all He hath done.

2 Lord Jesus Christ, Thy power make known ;
 For Thou art Lord of lords alone :
 Defend Thy Christendom, that we
 May evermore sing praise to Thee.

3 O Comforter, of priceless worth,
 Send peace and unity on earth,
 Support us in our final strife,
 And lead us out of death to life.

Martin Luther. 1541.

Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1862.

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Walte, walte, nah und fern.

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1 **S**PREAD, O spread, thou mighty Word,
 Spread the kingdom of the Lord,
 Wheresoe'er His breath has given
 Life to beings meant for heaven.

2 Tell them how the Father's will
 Made the world, and keeps it still ;

How He sent His Son to save
All who help and comfort crave.

3 Tell them of the Spirit given
Now, to guide us up to heaven,
Strong and holy, just and true,
Working both to will and do.

4 Word of life, most pure and strong,
Lo, for Thee the nations long : .
Spread, till from its dreary night
All the world awakes to light.

5 Lord of harvest, let there be
Joy and strength to work for Thee :
Let the nations far and near,
See Thy light, and learn Thy fear.

*Jonathan Frederic Bahnmaier. 1823.
Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1858.*

BAPTISM.

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Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier.

7, 8, 8.

1 **B**LESSED Jesus, here we stand,
Met to do as Thou hast spoken ;
And this child, at Thy command,
Now we bring to Thee, in token
That to Thee it here is given ;
For of such shall be Thy heaven.

2 Yes, Thy warning voice is plain,
And we fain would keep it duly ;
“ He who is not born again,
Heart and life renewing truly,
Born of water and the Spirit,
Will my kingdom ne’er inherit.”

3 Therefore hasten we to Thee ;
Take the pledge we bring, O take it !
Let us here Thy glory see,
And in tender pity make it

Now Thy child, and leave it never,
Thine on earth and Thine for ever.

4 Make it, Lord, Thy member now ;
Shepherd, take Thy lamb, and feed it ;
Prince of peace, its peace be Thou ;
Way of life, to heaven lead it ;
Vine, this branch may nothing sever,
Be it graft in Thee for ever.

5 Now upon Thy heart it lies,
What our hearts so dearly treasure :
Heavenward lead our burdened sighs,
Pour Thy blessing without measure ;
Write the name we now have given.
Write it in the book of heaven.

*Benjamin Schmolck. 1704.
Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1858.*

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*O Vaterherz.**C. H. M*

1 FATHER, who hast created all
In wisest love, we pray,
Look on this babe, who at Thy call
Is entering on life's way.
Bend o'er it now with blessing fraught,
And make Thou something out of naught.

2 O Son, who diedst for us, behold,
We bring our child to Thee !
Great Shepherd, take it to Thy fold,
Thine own for aye to be :
Defend it through this earthly strife,
And lead it on the path of life.

3 Spirit, who broodest o'er the wave,
Descend upon this child :
Give endless life, its spirit lave
With waters undefiled :
Grant it, while yet a babe, to be
A child of God, a home for Thee !

4 O God, what Thou command'st is done :
 We speak, but Thine the might :
 This child, which scarce hath seen the sun,
 O pour on it Thy light,
 In faith and hope, in joy and love,
 Thou Sun of all below, above !

Albert Knapp. 1850.
Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1858. a.

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C. M.

1 SEE Israel's gentle Shepherd stand,
 S With all-engaging charms ;
 Hark, how He calls the tender lambs,
 And folds them in His arms !

2 " Permit them to approach," He cries,
 " Nor scorn their humble name :
 It was to bless such souls as these,
 The Lord of angels came."

3 We bring them, Lord, with grateful hearts,
 And yield them up to Thee ;
 Joyful that we ourselves are Thine,
 Thine let our offspring be !

Doddridge. 1755. a.

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1 PARDONED through redeeming grace,
 P In Thy blessed Son revealed,
 Worshipping before Thy face,
 Lord, to Thee ourselves we yield.

2 Thou the sacrifice receive,
 Humbly offered through Thy Son ;
 Quicken us in Him to live ;
 Lord, in us Thy will be done.

3 By the hallowed outward sign,
 By the cleansing grace within,
 Seal, and make us wholly Thine ;
 Wash, and keep us pure from sin.

4 Called to bear the Christian name,
 May our vows and life accord,
 And our every deed proclaim
 " Holiness unto the Lord ! "

Edward Osler. 1836.

CONFIRMATION.

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8, 7.

1 BLESSED Saviour, who hast taught me
 I should live to Thee alone ;
 All these years Thy hand hath brought me,
 Since I first was made Thine own.

At the Font my vows were spoken
 By my parents in the Lord ;
 That my vows shall be unbroken,
 At the Altar I record.

2 I would trust in Thy protecting,
 Wholly rest upon Thine arm ;
 Follow wholly Thy directing,
 O my only Guard from harm !
 Meet me now with Thy salvation,
 In Thy Church's ordered way ;
 Let me feel Thy Confirmation
 In Thy truth and fear to-day :

3 So that might and firmness gaining,
 Hope in danger, joy in grief,
 Now and ever more remaining
 In the catholic belief,
 Resting in my Saviour's merit,
 Strengthened with the Spirit's strength,
 With Thy Church I may inherit
 All my Father's joy at length.

John Mason Neale. 1844.

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Ich bin getauft auf Deinen Namen.

8, 7.

1 FATHER, Son, and Holy Spirit,
 I'm baptized in Thy dear Name ;
 In the seed Thou dost inherit,
 With the people Thou dost claim,
 I am reckoned ;
 And for me the Saviour came.

2 Thou receivest me, O Father,
 As a child and heir of Thine ;
 Jesus, Thou who diedst, yea, rather
 Ever livest, Thou art mine.
 Thou, O Spirit,
 Art my Guide, my light divine.

3 I have pledged, and would not falter,
 Truth, obedience, love to Thee ;
 I have vows upon Thine altar,
 Ever Thine alone to be ;
 And for ever
 Sin and all its lusts to flee.

4 Gracious God, all Thou hast spoken
 In this covenant shall take place ;
 But if I, alas ! have broken
 These my vows, hide not Thy face ;
 And from falling
 O restore me by Thy grace !

5 Lord, to Thee I now surrender
 All I have, and all I am ;
 Make my heart more true and tender,
 Glorify in me Thy Name.
 Let obedience
 To Thy will be all my aim.

6 Help me in this high endeavor,
 Father, Son, and Holy Ghost !
 Bind my heart to Thee for ever,

Till I join the heavenly host.
 Living, dying,
 Let me make in Thee my boast.

*John Jacob Rambach. 1724.
 Charles William Schaeffer, Tr. 1860.*

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L. M.

- 1 O HAPPY day, that stays my choice
 On Thee, my Saviour and my God !
 Well may this glowing heart rejoice,
 And tell its raptures all abroad.
- 2 O happy bond, that seals my vows
 To Him who merits all my love !
 Let cheerful anthems fill His house,
 While to that sacred shrine I move.
- 3 'Tis done, the great transaction's done ;
 I am my Lord's, and He is mine :
 He drew me, and I followed on,
 Glad to obey the voice divine.
- 4 Now rest, my long-divided heart,
 Fixed on this blissful centre, rest ;
 With ashes who would grudge to part,
 When called on angels' bread to feast ?
- 5 High heaven, that heard the solemn vow,
 That vow renewed shall daily hear ;
 Till in life's latest hour I bow,
 And bless in death a bond so dear.

Doddridge. 1755. a.

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C. M.

- 1 M Y God, accept my heart this day,
 And make it always Thine,
 That I from Thee no more may stray,
 No more from Thee decline.
- 2 Before the Cross of Him who died,
 Behold I prostrate fall ;
 Let every sin be crucified,
 Let Christ be all in all !

- 3 Anoint me with Thy heavenly grace,
 Adopt me for Thine own ;
That I may see Thy glorious face,
 And worship at Thy throne !
- 4 May the dear Blood, once shed for me,
 My blest Atonement prove,
That I from first to last may be
 The purchase of Thy Love !
- 5 Let every thought, and work, and word,
 To Thee be ever given :
Then life shall be Thy service Lord,
 And death the gate of heaven !

Matthew Bridges. 1848.

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- 1 **T**HINE for ever ! God of love,
 Hear us from Thy throne above ;
Thine for ever may we be,
 Here and in eternity.
- 2 Thine for ever ! Lord of Life,
 Shield us through our earthly strife ;
Thou, the Life, the Truth, the Way,
 Guide us to the realms of day.
- 3 Thine for ever ! O how blest
 They who find in Thee their rest ;
Saviour, Guardian, heavenly Friend,
 O defend us to the end.
- 4 Thine for ever ! Saviour keep
 These Thy frail and trembling sheep ;
Safe alone beneath Thy care
 Let us all Thy goodness share.
- 5 Thine for ever ! Thou our Guide,
 All our wants by Thee supplied,
All our sins by Thee forgiven,
 Lead us, Lord, from earth to heaven.

Bosworth's Col. 1865

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H. M.

1 BAPTIZED into Thy Name,
 Mysterious One in Three,
 Our souls and bodies claim,
 A sacrifice to Thee ;
 And let us live our faith to prove,
 The faith which works by humble love.

2 O that our light may shine,
 And all our lives express
 The character divine,
 The real holiness ;
 And then receive us up, to adore
 The Triune God for evermore.

C. Wesley. 1767.

THE LORD'S SUPPER.

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C. M.

1 ACCORDING to Thy gracious word,
 In meek humility,
 This will I do, my dying Lord,
 I will remember Thee.

2 Thy Body, broken for my sake,
 My bread from heaven shall be ;
 Thy testimonial cup I take,
 And thus remember Thee.

3 Gethsemane can I forget,
 Or there Thy conflict see,
 Thine agony and bloody sweat,
 And not remember Thee ?

4 When to the Cross I turn mine eyes.
 And rest on Calvary,
 O Lamb of God, my sacrifice !
 I must remember Thee.

5 Remember Thee, and all Thy pains,
And all Thy Love to me;
Yes, while a breath, a pulse remains,
Will I remember Thee.

6 And when these failing lips grow dumb,
And mind and memory flee,
When Thou shalt in Thy kingdom come,
Jesus, remember me.

James Montgomery. 1825.

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S. M.

1 JESUS invites His saints
To meet around His board:
Here those He died to save may hold
Communion with their Lord.

2 Our heavenly Father calls
Christ and His members one:
We are the children of His Love,
And He the first-born Son.

3 We are but several parts
Of the same broken bread;
One body with its several limbs,
But Jesus is the Head.

4 Let all our powers be joined,
His glorious Name to raise:
Pleasure and love fill every mind,
And every voice be praise!

Watts. 1709. a.

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L. M.

1 MY God, and is Thy table spread?
And does Thy cup with love o'erflow?
Thither be all Thy children led,
And let them all its sweetness know.

2 Hail, sacred Feast, which Jesus makes,
Rich Banquet of His Flesh and Blood !
Thrice happy he, who here partakes
That sacred stream, that heavenly food !

3 Why are its blessings all in vain
Before unwilling hearts displayed ?
Was not for us the Victim slain ?
Are we forbid the children's Bread ?

4 O let Thy table honored be,
And furnished well with joyful guests ;
And may each soul salvation see,
That here its sacred pledges tastes.

5 Let crowds approach, with hearts prepared ;
With warm desire let all attend ;
Nor, when we leave our Father's board,
The pleasure or the profit end.

*Doddridge. 1755. a.***331** *C. M.*

1 O GOD unseen, yet ever near,
Thy presence may we feel ;
And thus, inspired with holy fear,
Before Thine altar kneel.

2 Here may Thy faithful people know
The blessings of Thy Love ;
The streams that through the desert flow,
The manna from above.

3 We come, obedient to Thy Word,
To feast on heavenly food ;
Our meat the Body of the Lord,
Our drink, His precious Blood.

4 Thus may we all Thy words obey ;
For we, O God, are Thine ;
And go rejoicing on our way,
Renewed with strength divine.

Edward Osler. 1836.

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C. H. M.

- 1 **L**ORD, when before Thy throne we meet,
Thy goodness to adore,
From heaven, the eternal mercy-seat,
On us Thy blessing pour,
And make our inmost souls to be
A habitation meet for Thee.
- 2 Thy Body for our ransom given,
Thy Blood in mercy shed,—
With this immortal food from heaven,
Lord, let our souls be fed :
And as we round Thine altar kneel,
Help us Thy quickening grace to feel.
- 3 Be Thou, O Holy Spirit, nigh ;
Accept the humble prayer,
The contrite soul's repentant sigh,
The sinner's heartfelt tear ;
And let our adoration rise
As fragrant incense to the skies.

Tresilian George Nicholas. 1838.

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7, 6, 7.

- 1 **J**ESUS, Master of the Feast,
The Feast itself Thou art !
Now receive Thy every guest,
And comfort every heart !
Give us living Bread to eat,
Manna that from heaven comes down ;
See us waiting at Thy feet,
And make Thy favor known.
- 2 In this earthly wilderness
Thou hast a table spread,
Richly filled with every grace
Our fainting souls can need :

Still sustain us by Thy Love,
 Still Thy servants' strength repair,
 Till we reach Thy courts above,
 And feast for ever there.

C. Wesley. 1745. a.

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8, 8, 7, 7.

- 1 JESUS, at Thine invitation
 Draw we nigh with supplication ;
 Thou who hast Thy table spread,
 With Thyselv may we be fed.
- 2 Be Thy Cross our meditation ;
 Be Thy Name our consolation ;
 While Thy Death we call to mind,
 May we here its blessings find.
- 3 Here in all revive contrition ;
 Here renew to all remission ;
 Here increase our love of Thee,
 Let us Thy salvation see.
- 4 Visit us, O Bread of heaven ;
 Life from Thee to us be given,
 Life divine that never ends,
 That from Thee alone descends.
- 5 Bless the Lord of all creation,
 Praise, with songs of adoration,
 Saints on earth and heavenly host,
 Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Arthur Tozer Russell. 1851. a.

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O Esca viatorum.

7, 6.

- 1 O BREAD to pilgrims given,
 Richer than angels eat,
 O Manna sent from heaven,
 For heaven-born natures meet !

Give us, for Thee long pining,
 To eat till richly filled ;
 Till, earth's delights resigning,
 Our every wish is stilled !

2 O Fountain, life-bestowing,
 From out the Saviour's heart,
 A Fountain purely flowing,
 A Fount of Love Thou art !
 Oh let us, freely tasting,
 Our burning thirst assuage !
 Thy sweetness never wasting,
 Avails from age to age.

3 Jesus, this feast receiving,
 We Thee unseen adore ;
 Thy faithful word believing,
 We take, and doubt no more ;
 Give us, Thou true and loving,
 On earth to live in Thee ;
 Then, death the veil removing,
 Thy glorious face to see !

Ray Palmer. 1858. a.

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Jesus dulcedo cordium.

L. M.

1 JESUS, Thou Joy of loving hearts !
 Thou Fount of life ! Thou light of men !
 From the best bliss that earth imparts,
 We turn unfilled to Thee again.

2 Thy truth unchanged hath ever stood ;
 Thou savest those that on Thee call ;
 To them that seek Thee, Thou art good,
 To them that find Thee, All in all.

3 We taste Thee, O Thou Living Bread,
 And long to feast upon Thee still ;
 We drink of Thee, the Fountain Head,
 And thirst our souls from Thee to fill.

4 Our restless spirits yearn for Thee,
 Where'er our changeful lot is cast;
 Glad, that Thy gracious smile we see,
 Blest, that our faith can hold Thee fast.

5 O Jesus, ever with us stay !
 Make all our moments calm and bright ;
 Chase the dark night of sin away,
 Shed o'er the world Thy holy light.

Bernard of Clairvaux. 1153.
Ray Palmer. 1858. a.

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Ecce Panis Angelorum.

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1 **L** O, upon the altar lies
 Bread of heaven from the skies :
 Food to mortal wanderers given,
 To the sons and heirs of heaven.

2 Jesus, Shepherd of the sheep !
 Thou Thy flock in safety keep.
 Living Bread ! Thy life supply,
 Strengthen us, or else we die.

3 Thou, who feedest us below !
 Source of all we have or know !
 Grant that with Thy saints above
 We may reach Thy feast of love !

Thomas Aquinas. d. 1274.
From Edward Caswall, Tr. 1848.

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Adoro Te devote.

L. M.

1 **W**ITH all the powers my poor heart hath
 Of humble love and loyal faith,
 I come, dear Lord, to worship Thee,
 Whom so much Love bowed low for me.

2 O dear memorial of that Death
 Which still survives, and gives us breath !
 Live ever, Bread of Life, and be
 My food, my joy, my all to me !

3 Come, glorious Lord ! my hopes increase,
And mix my portion with Thy peace !
Come, and for ever dwell in me,
That I may only live to Thee.

4 Come, hidden life, and that long day
For which I languish, come away !
When this faint soul Thy face shall see,
And drink the unsealed Source of Thee :

5 When glory's sun faith's shade shall chase,
And for Thy veil, give me Thy face ;
Then shall my praise eternal be
To the eternal Trinity !

*Thomas Aquinas. d. 1274.
From Richard Crashaw, Tr. 1646.
John Austin. 1688. a.*

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Trochaic. 7, 6.

1 LAMB of God, who once wast slain,
We, whose sins did pierce Thee,
Now commemorate Thy pain,
And implore Thy mercy.

2 Thine's an everlasting Love :
We have sorely tried Thee.
Whom have we in heaven above,
Whom on earth beside Thee ?

3 What can helpless sinners do,
When temptations seize us ?
Naught have we to look unto,
But the Blood of Jesus.

4 Pardon all our baseness, Lord ;
All our weakness pity :
Guide us safely by Thy Word
To the heavenly city.

5 O sustain us on the road
 Through this desert dreary.
 Feed us with Thy Flesh and Blood,
 When we're faint and weary.

6 Bid us call to mind Thy Cross
 Our hard hearts to soften.
 Often, Saviour, feast us thus ;
 For we need it often.

Joseph Hart. 1762.

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1 BREAD of heaven, on Thee we feed,
 For Thy Flesh is meat indeed ;
 Ever may our souls be fed
 With this true and living Bread.

2 Vine of heaven, Thy Blood supplies
 This blest cup of sacrifice ;
 Lord, Thy wounds our healing give ;
 To Thy Cross we look and live.

3 Day by day with strength supplied,
 Through the life of Him who died,
 Lord of life, O let us be
 Rooted, grafted, built on Thee.

Josiah Conder. 1824. a.

After Communion.

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Wie wohl hast Du gelabet.

7, 6.

1 O LIVING Bread from heaven,
 How hast thou fed Thy guest !
 The gifts Thou now hast given
 Have filled my heart with rest.
 O wondrous Food of blessing
 O cup that heals our woes !
 My heart, this gift possessing,
 In thankful song o'erflows.

2 My Lord, Thou here hast led me
 Within Thy holiest place,
 And there Thyself hast fed me
 With treasures of Thy grace:
 And Thou hast freely given
 What earth could never buy,
 The Bread of Life from heaven,
 That now I shall not die!

3 Thou givest all I wanted,
 The Food can death destroy;
 And Thou hast freely granted
 The Cup of endless joy.
 Ah, Lord, I do not merit
 The favor Thou hast shown,
 And all my soul and spirit
 Bow down before Thy throne!

4 Lord, grant me that, thus strengthened
 With heavenly Food, while here
 My course on earth is lengthened,
 I serve with holy fear:
 And when Thou callest my spirit
 To leave this world below,
 I enter, through Thy merit,
 Where joys unmixed flow.

John Rist. 1651.

From Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1858.

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Trochaic. 7, 6.

1 L ORD, accept our feeble praise
 L For the banquet given;
 Though unworthy, we would raise
 Hearts and hands to heaven.

2 Of the streams of grace divine
 We have now been tasting:
 On the mystic bread and wine
 With rich comfort feasting.

- 3 Meat indeed Thy Flesh we find,
 Drink Thy Blood so precious ;
Jesus, Saviour, Thou art kind,
 Merciful and gracious !
- 4 On our guilty souls Thy rod
 Falls with gentle chidings ;
And Thou healest with Thy Blood
 All our great backslidings.
- 5 May we to Thy bleeding Cross
 Soul and body fasten ;
All for Jesus count but loss,
 To His coming hasten.
- 6 None from trials are below
 Totally exempted ;
All-sufficient grace bestow,
 Succor, Lord, the tempted.
- 7 To Thy Name, for evermore,
 Be all glory given ;
None on earth will we adore,
 None but Thee in heaven.

Whitefield's Col. 1766?

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H. M.

- 1 **A**UTHOR of life divine,
 Who hast a table spread,
Furnished with living Wine,
 And everlasting Bread,
Preserve the life Thyself hast given,
 And feed and train us up for heaven.
- 2 Our needy souls sustain
 With fresh supplies of love,
Till all Thy life we gain,
 And all Thy fulness prove ;
And, strengthened by Thy perfect grace,
 Behold, without a veil, Thy face.

C. Wesley. 1745 a.

CALLING.

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C. M.

- 1 THE King of heaven His table spreads,
 T And dainties crown the board.
 Not all the boasted joys of earth
 Could such delight afford.
- 2 Pardon and peace to dying men,
 And endless life are given ;
 And the rich Blood that Jesus shed
 To raise the soul to heaven.
- 3 Ye hungry poor, who long have strayed
 In sin's dark mazes, come ;
 Come from the hedges and highways,
 And Grace will find you room.
- 4 Thousands of souls, in glory now,
 Were fed and feasted here ;
 And thousands more, still on the way,
 Around the board appear.
- 5 Yet are His house and heart so large,
 That thousands more may come ;
 Nor could the wide assembling world
 O'erfill the spacious room.
- 6 All things are ready : enter in,
 Nor weak excuses frame.
 Come, take your places at the feast,
 And bless the Founder's Name.

Doddridge. 1755. a.

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C. M.

- 1 THE Saviour calls ; let every ear
 T Attend the heavenly sound.
 Ye doubting souls, dismiss your fear ;
 Hope smiles reviving round.

- 2 For every thirsty, longing heart,
Here streams of bounty flow,
And life and health, and bliss impart.
To banish mortal woe.
- 3 Here springs of sacred pleasure rise,
To ease your every pain;
Immortal fountain! full supplies!
Nor shall you thirst in vain.
- 4 Ye sinners, come, 'tis mercy's voice;
The gracious call obey:
Mercy invites to heavenly joys,
And can you yet delay?
- 5 Dear Saviour, draw reluctant hearts;
To Thee let sinners fly,
And take the bliss Thy Love imparts,
And drink and never die.

Anne Steele. 1760.

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REVELATION xxii: 17.

S. M.

- 1 THE Spirit, in our hearts
Is whispering, "Sinner, come:"
The bride, the Church of Christ, proclaims
To all His children, "Come!"
- 2 Let him that heareth, say
To all about him, "Come!"
Let him that thirsts for righteousness
To Christ, the Fountain, come!
- 3 Yes, whosoever will,
O let him freely come,
And freely drink the stream of life:
'Tis Jesus bids him come.
- 4 Lo, Jesus, who invites,
Declares, "I quickly come;"
Lord, even so! I wait Thine hour;
Jesus, my Saviour, come!

Henry Ustic Onderdonk. 1826

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1 COME, said Jesus' sacred voice,
 Come, and make my paths your choice:
 I will guide you to your home;
 Weary pilgrim, hither come!

2 Sinner, come! for here is found
 Balm that flows for every wound;
 Peace that ever shall endure;
 Rest eternal, sacred, sure.

Anna Letitia Barbauld. 1773.

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1 COME, ye weary sinners, come,
 All who feel your heavy load;
 Jesus calls His wanderers home;
 Hasten to your pardoning God.

2 Come, ye guilty souls opprest,
 Answer to the Saviour's call:
 "Come, and I will give you rest;
 Come, and I will save you all."

3 Jesus, full of truth and love,
 We Thy kindest word obey:
 Faithful let Thy mercies prove,
 Take our load of guilt away.

4 Fain we would on Thee rely,
 Cast on Thee our sin and care:
 To Thine arms of mercy fly,
 Find our lasting quiet there.

5 Lo, we come to Thee for ease:
 True and gracious as Thou art,
 Now our weary souls release,
 Write forgiveness on our heart.

C. Wesley. 1746. a

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8, 7, 7.

- 1 COME to Calvary's holy mountain,
 C Sinners, ruined by the Fall ;
 Here a pure and healing fountain
 Flows to you, to me, to all ;
 In a full perpetual tide,
 Opened when our Saviour died.
- 2 Come in poverty and meanness,
 Come defiled, without, within ;
 From infection and uncleanness,
 From the leprosy of sin,
 Wash your robes and make them white ;
 Ye shall walk with God in light.
- 3 Come in sorrow and contrition,
 Wounded, impotent, and blind ;
 Here the guilty free remission,
 Here the troubled peace may find :
 Health this fountain will restore ;
 He that drinks shall thirst no more.
- 4 He that drinks shall live for ever ;
 'Tis a soul-renewing flood :
 God is faithful ; God will never
 Break His covenant in Blood,
 Signed when our Redeemer died,
 Sealed when He was glorified.

James Montgomery. 1819.

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*Gott rufet noch !**L. M.*

- 1 GOD calling yet !—shall I not hear ?
 G Earth's pleasures shall I still hold dear !
 Shall life's swift passing years all fly,
 And still my soul in slumbers lie ?
- 2 God calling yet ?—shall I not rise ?
 Can I His loving voice despise,

And basely His kind care repay?
He calls me still: can I delay?

3 God calling yet!—and shall He knock,
And I my heart the closer lock?
He still is waiting to receive,
And shall I dare His Spirit grieve?

4 God calling yet!—and shall I give
No heed, but still in bondage live?
I wait, but He does not forsake;
He calls me still:—my heart, awake!

5 Ah, yield Him all: in Him confide:
Where but with Him doth peace abide?
Break loose, let earthly bonds be riven,
And let the spirit rise to heaven!

6 God calling yet!—I cannot stay;
My heart I yield without delay:
Vain world, farewell! from thee I part;
The voice of God hath reached my heart!

*Gerhard Tersteegen, ab. 1730.
From Jane Borthwick, Tr. 1853.*

REPENTANCE.

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1 GOD of mercy! God of grace!
Hear our sad repentant songs.
O restore Thy suppliant race,
Thou to whom our praise belongs!

2 Deep regret for follies past,
Talents wasted, time misspent;
Hearts debased by worldly cares,
Thankless for the blessings lent:

3 Foolish fears and fond desires,
 Vain regrets for things as vain :
 Lips too seldom taught to praise,
 Oft to murmur and complain ;

4 These, and every secret fault,
 Filled with grief and shame, we own.
 Humbled at Thy feet we lie,
 Seeking pardon from Thy throne.

John Taylor. 1799.

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C. M.

1 O THOU whose tender mercy hears
 Contrition's humble sigh ;
 Whose hand, indulgent, wipes the tears
 From sorrow's weeping eye !

2 See, low before Thy throne of grace,
 A wretched wanderer mourn ;
 Hast Thou not bid me seek Thy face ?
 Hast Thou not said, return ?

3 And shall my guilty fears prevail,
 To drive me from Thy feet ?
 O let not this dear refuge fail,
 This only safe retreat.

4 Absent from Thee, my Guide, my Light,
 Without one cheering ray,
 Through dangers, fears, and gloomy night,
 How desolate my way !

5 O shine on this benighted heart,
 With beams of mercy shine ;
 And let Thy healing voice impart
 A taste of joys divine.

6 Thy presence only can bestow
 Delights, which never cloy ;
 Be this my solace here below,
 And my eternal joy !

Anne Steele. 1760.

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Herr Ich habe missgehandelt.

8, 7, 8.

- 1 LORD, to Thee I make confession,
I have sinned and gone astray,
I have multiplied transgression,
Chosen for myself my way.
Forced at last to see my errors,
Lord, I tremble at Thy terrors.
- 2 Yet though conscience' voice appalls me,
Father, I will seek Thy face ;
Though Thy child I dare not call me,
Yet receive me to Thy grace ;
Do not for my sins forsake me,
Let not yet Thy wrath o'er take me.
- 3 For Thy Son hath suffered for me,
And the Blood He shed for sin,
That can heal me and restore me,
Quench this burning fire within ;
'Tis alone His Cross can vanquish
These dark fears and soothe this anguish.
- 4 Then on Him I cast my burden,
Sink it in the depths below !
Let me feel Thy gracious pardon,
Wash me, make me white as snow.
Let Thy Spirit leave me never,
Make me only Thine for ever !

*John Frank. 1653.
Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1862.*

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PSALM 130.

Iambic. 8, 7.

Aus tiefer Noth schrei ich zu Dir.

- 1 OUT of the depths I cry to Thee,
Lord, hear me, I implore Thee !
Bend down Thy gracious ear to me,
Let my prayer come before Thee !
If Thou remember each misdeed,
If each should have its rightful meed,
Who may abide Thy presence ?

2 Our pardon is Thy gift; Thy Love
And grace alone avail us.
Our works could ne'er our guilt remove,
The strictest life must fail us.
That none may boast himself of aught,
But own in fear Thy grace hath wrought
What in him seemeth righteous.

3 And thus my hope is in the Lord,
And not in mine own merit;
I rest upon His faithful word
To them of contrite spirit.
That He is merciful and just,—
Here is my comfort and my trust,
His help I wait with patience.

4 And though it tarry till the night,
And round till morning waken,
My heart shall ne'er mistrust Thy might,
Nor count itself forsaken.
Do thus, O ye of Israel's seed,
Ye of the Spirit born indeed,
Wait for your God's appearing.

5 Though great our sins and sore our woes,
His grace much more aboundeth;
His helping love no limit knows,
Our utmost need it soundeth.
Our kind and faithful Shepherd, He,
Who shall at last set Israel free
From all their sin and sorrow.

*Martin Luther. 1524.
Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1862.*

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PSALM 51.

L. M.

1 **S**HOW pity, Lord; O Lord! forgive;
Let a repenting rebel live.
Are not Thy mercies large and free?
May not a sinner trust in Thee?

2 Great God, Thy nature hath no bound,
So let Thy pardoning Love be found.
O wash my soul from every sin,
And make my guilty conscience clean !

3 My lips with shame my sins confess
Against Thy law, against Thy grace :
Lord, should Thy judgment grow severe,
I am condemned, but Thou art clear.

4 Yet save a trembling sinner, Lord,
Whose hope, still hovering round Thy Word,
Would light on some sweet promise there,
Some sure support against despair.

Watts. 1719. a.

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PSALM 51.

L. M.

1 O THOU that hear'st when sinners cry,
Though all my crimes before Thee lie,
Behold them not with angry look,
But blot their memory from Thy book.

2 Create my nature pure within,
And form my soul averse to sin ;
Let Thy good Spirit ne'er depart,
Nor hide Thy presence from my heart.

3 I cannot live without Thy light,
Cast out and banished from Thy sight ;
Thy holy joys, my God, restore,
And guard me that I fall no more.

4 Though I have grieved Thy Spirit, Lord,
His help and comfort still afford ;
And let me now come near Thy throne,
To plead the merits of Thy Son.

5 A broken heart, my God, my King,
Is all the sacrifice I bring ;

Look down, O Lord, with pitying eye,
And save the soul condemned to die.

6 O may Thy Love inspire my tongue !
Salvation shall be all my song ;
And all my powers shall join to bless
The Lord, my Strength and Righteousness.

Watts. 1719. a.

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C. M.

1 O LORD, turn not Thy face from me,
Who lie in woful state,
Lamenting all my sinful life
Before Thy mercy-gate :

2 A gate which opens wide to those
That do lament their sin :
Shut not that gate against me, Lord ;
But let me enter in.

3 And call me not to strict account
How I have sojourned here ;
For then my guilty conscience knows
How vile I shall appear.

4 So come I to Thy mercy-gate,
Where mercy doth abound,
Imploring pardon for my sin,
To heal my deadly wound.

5 O Lord, I need not to repeat
The comfort I would have :
Thou know'st, O Lord, before I ask,
The blessing I do crave.

6 Mercy, good Lord, mercy, I ask,
This is the total sum ;
For mercy, Lord, is all my suit ;
Lord, let Thy mercy come !

John Mardley. 1562.

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S. M.

1 **A**ND wilt Thou pardon, Lord,
 A sinner such as I?
 Although Thy book his crimes record,
 Of such a crimson dye?

2 So deep are they engraved,
 So terrible their fear ;—
 The righteous scarcely shall be saved,
 And where shall I appear?

3 O Thou, Physician blest,
 Make clean my guilty soul!
 And me, by many a sin opprest,
 Restore, and keep me whole!

4 I know not how to praise
 Thy mercy and Thy love ;
 But deign Thy servant to upraise,
 And I shall learn above.

*Joseph of the Studium. ab. 860.
John Mason Neale, Tr. 1862.*

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L. M. 6l.

1 **T**HE abyss of many a former sin
 Encloses me, and bars me in :
 Like billows my transgressions roll ;—
 Be Thou the Pilot of my soul !
 And to salvation's harbor bring,
 Thou Saviour and Thou glorious King !

2 My Father's heritage abused,
 Wasted by lust, by sin misused ;
 To shame and want and misery brought,
 The slave to many a fruitless thought :—
 I cry to Thee, who lovest men,
 O pity and receive again !

3 In hunger now, no more possest
 Of that my portion bright and blest, ,

The exile and the alien see,
 Who yet would fain return to Thee !
 And save me, Lord, who seek to raise
 To Thy dear Love the hymn of praise !

4 With that saved thief my prayer I make,
Remember for Thy mercy's sake !
 With that poor publican I cry,
Be merciful, O God most high !
 With that lost prodigal I fain
 Back to my home would turn again !

5 Mourn, mourn, my soul, with earnest care,
 And raise to Christ the contrite prayer :—
 O Thou who freely wast made poor,
 My sorrows and my sins to cure,
 Me, poor of all good works, embrace,
 Enriching with thy boundless grace !

Joseph of the Studium. ab. 860.
John Mason Neale, Tr. 1862.

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L. M. 6l.

1 WEARY of wandering from my God,
 And now made willing to return,
 I hear, and bow me to the rod ;
 For Thee, not without hope, I mourn ;
 I have an Advocate above,
 A Friend before the throne of Love.

2 O Jesus, full of truth and grace,
 More full of grace than I of sin ;
 Yet once again I seek Thy face,
 Open Thine arms and take me in !
 And freely my backslidings heal,
 And love the faithless sinner still.

3 Thou know'st the way to bring me back,
 My fallen spirit to restore ;
 O, for Thy truth and mercy's sake,
 Forgive, and bid me sin no more :

The ruins of my soul repair,
And make my heart a house of prayer.

C. Wesley. 1749.

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S. M.

1 O THOU who wouldest not have
One wretched sinner die,
Who diedst Thyselv, my soul to save
From endless misery!
Teach me my course to run,
While yet I sojourn here,
That when Thou comest on Thy throne
I may with joy appear.

2 Thou art Thyselv the Way,
Thyselv in me reveal;
So shall I pass my life's short day
Obedient to Thy will;
So shall I love my God,
Because He first loved me,
And praise Thee in Thy bright abode,
Through all eternity.

C. Wesley. 1749. a

FAITH AND JUSTIFICATION.

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S. M.

1 JESUS, my Lord, attend
Thy fallen creature's cry:
And show Thyselv the sinner's Friend,
And set me up on high:
From hell's oppressive power,
From earth and sin release;
And to Thy Father's grace restore,
And to Thy perfect peace.

2 Thy Blood and Righteousness
I make my only plea;
My present and eternal peace
Are both derived from Thee:

Rivers of life divine
 From Thee, their fountain, flow;
 And all who know that love of Thine,
 The joy of angels know.

3 O then, impute, impart
 To me Thy righteousness,
 And let me taste how good Thou art,
 How full of truth and grace:
 That Thou canst here forgive
 Grant me to testify,
 And justified by faith to live,
 And in that faith to die.

C. Wesley. 1746.

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C. M.

- 1 F Thou impart Thyself to me,
 No other good I need:
 If Thou, the Son, shalt make me free,
 I shall be free indeed.
- 2 I know in Thee all fulness dwells,
 And all for wretched man:
 Fill every want my spirit feels,
 And break off every chain!
- 3 From sin, the guilt, the power, the pain,
 Thou wilt redeem my soul:
 Lord, I believe, and not in vain;
 My faith shall make me whole.
- 4 I too with Thee shall walk in white,
 With all Thy saints shall prove
 What is the length, and breadth, and height,
 And depth of perfect love.

C. Wesley. 1740.

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C. M.

- 1 A PPROACH, my soul, the mercy seat,
 Where Jesus answers prayer;
 There humbly fall before His feet,
 For none can perish there.

2 Thy promise is my only plea,
 With this I venture nigh ;
 Thou callest burdened souls to Thee,
 And such, O Lord, am I.

3 Bowed down beneath a load of sin,
 By Satan sorely prest,
 By wars without and fears within,
 I come to Thee for rest.

4 Be Thou my Shield and Hiding-place,
 That, sheltered near Thy side,
 I may my fierce accuser face,
 And tell Him, Thou hast died.

5 O wondrous Love, to bleed and die,
 To bear the Cross and shame,
 That guilty sinners such as I
 Might plead Thy gracious Name !

John Newton. 1779.

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S. M.

1 **L**IKE Noah's weary dove,
 That soared the earth around,
 But not a resting-place above
 The cheerless waters found :

2 O cease, my wandering soul,
 On restless wing to roam ;
 All the wide world, to either pole,
 Has not for thee a home.

3 Behold the ark of God,
 Behold the open door ;
 Hasten to gain that dear abode,
 And rove, my soul, no more.

4 There safe thou shalt abide,
 There sweet shall be thy rest,
 And every longing satisfied,
 With full salvation blest.

William Augustus Muhlenberg. 1826.

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L. M.

- 1 JUST as I am, without one plea,
 But that Thy Blood was shed for me,
 And that Thou bidst me come to Thee,
 O Lamb of God, I come, I come !
- 2 Just as I am, and waiting not
 To rid my soul of one dark blot,
 To Thee, whose Blood can cleanse each spot,
 O Lamb of God, I come, I come !
- 3 Just as I am, though tossed about
 With many a conflict, many a doubt,
 Fightings and fears within, without,
 O Lamb of God, I come, I come !
- 4 Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind ;
 Sight, riches, healing of the mind,
 Yea, all I need, in Thee to find,
 O Lamb of God, I come, I come !
- 5 Just as I am ; Thou wilt receive,
 Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve,
 Because Thy promise I believe ;
 O Lamb of God, I come, I come !
- 6 Just as I am ; Thy Love unknown
 Has broken every barrier down ;
 Now to be Thine, yea, Thine alone,
 O Lamb of God, I come, I come !

Charlotte Elliott. 1836. a.

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- 1 ROCK of Ages, cleft for me,
 Let me hide myself in Thee !
 Let the Water and the Blood,
 From Thy riven side which flowed,
 Be of sin the perfect cure,
 Save me, Lord, and make me pure.

2 Not the labors of my hands
 Can fulfil Thy Law's demands :
 Could my zeal no respite know,
 Could my tears for ever flow,
 All for sin could not atone :
 Thou must save, and Thou alone !

3 Nothing in my hand I bring,
 Simply to Thy Cross I cling ;
 Naked, come to Thee for dress ;
 Helpless, look to Thee for grace ;
 Foul, I to the Fountain fly ;
 Wash me, Saviour, or I die !

4 While I draw this fleeting breath,
 When my eyelids close in death,
 When I soar to worlds unknown,
 See Thee on Thy judgment throne,
 Rock of Ages, cleft for me,
 Let me hide myself in Thee !

Augustus M. Toplady. 1776. a.

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7, 6.

1 I LAY my sins on Jesus,
 The spotless Lamb of God ;
 He bears them all, and frees us
 From the accurséd load.
 I bring my guilt to Jesus,
 To wash my crimson stains
 White, in His Blood most precious,
 Till not a spot remains.

2 I lay my wants on Jesus ;
 All fulness dwells in Him ;
 He heals all my diseases,
 He doth my soul redeem.
 I lay my griefs on Jesus,
 My burdens and my cares ;
 He from them all releases,
 He all my sorrows shares.

3 I long to be like Jesus,
 Meek, loving, lowly, mild ;
 I long to be like Jesus,
 The Father's holy child.
 I long to be with Jesus,
 Amid the heavenly throng,
 To sing with saints His praises,
 To learn the angels' song.

Horatius Bonar. 1858. a.

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1 JOHN ii : 1, 2.

C. M.

1 FATHER, though I have sinned, with Thee
 An Advocate I have :
 Jesus the Just shall plead for me,
 The sinner Christ shall save.

2 Pardon and peace in Him I find ;
 But not for me alone :
 The Lamb was slain : for all mankind
 His Blood did once atone.

3 My soul is on Thy promise cast,
 And lo ! I claim my part :
 The universal pardon's past ;
 O seal it on my heart !

4 Thou canst not now Thy grace deny ;
 Thou canst not but forgive :
 Lord, if Thy justice asks me why —
 In Jesus I believe.

C. Wesley. 1740. a.

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C. M.

1 JESUS, Thou art my Righteousness,
 For all my sins were Thine :
 Thy Death hath bought of God my peace,
 Thy life hath made Him mine.

2 For ever here my rest shall be,
 Close to Thy bleeding side ;
 This all my hope and all my plea :
 For me the Saviour died.

3 My dying Saviour and my God,
 Fountain for guilt and sin,
 Sprinkle me ever with Thy Blood,
 And cleanse, and keep me clean.

4 The Atonement of Thy Blood apply,
 Till faith to sight improve ;
 Till hope in full fruition die,
 And all my soul be love.

C. Wesley. 1740. a.

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*Ach mein verwundter Fürst.**L. M.*

1 I THIRST, Thou wounded Lamb of God,
 I To wash me in Thy cleansing Blood ;
 To dwell within Thy wounds ; then pain
 Is sweet, and life or death is gain.

2 Take my poor heart, and let it be
 For ever closed to all but Thee !
 Seal Thou my breast, and let me wear
 That pledge of love for ever there.

3 How blest are they who still abide
 Close sheltered in Thy bleeding side !
 Who life and strength from Thee derive,
 And by Thee move, and in Thee live !

4 What are our works but sin and death,
 Till Thou Thy quickening Spirit breathe ?
 Thou giv'st the power Thy grace to move ;
 O wondrous grace ! O boundless Love !

5 How can it be, Thou heavenly King,
 That Thou shouldst us to glory bring ;
 Make slaves the partners of Thy throne,
 Decked with a never-fading crown ?

6 Ah Lord, enlarge our scanty thought,
To know the wonders Thou hast wrought ;
Unloose our stammering tongues, to tell
Thy Love immense, unsearchable !

*N. L. v. Zinzendorf, and John and Anna Nitschmann. 1737.
John Wesley, Tr. 1740.*

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Christi Blut und Gerechtigkeit.

L. M.

1 JESUS, Thy Blood and Righteousness
My beauty are, my glorious dress ;
'Midst flaming worlds, in these arrayed,
With joy shall I lift up my head.

2 Bold shall I stand in Thy great Day,
For who aught to my charge shall lay ?
Fully through these absolved I am
From sin and fear, from guilt and shame.

3 This spotless robe the same appears,
When ruined nature sinks in years :
No age can change its constant hue ;
Thy Blood preserves it ever new.

4 O let the dead now hear Thy voice ;
Now bid Thy banished ones rejoice !
Their beauty this, their glorious dress,
Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness !

5 When from the dust of death I rise,
To claim my mansion in the skies,
Even then this shall be all my plea,
"Jesus hath lived and died for me."

*Nicholas Louis, Count Zinzendorf. 1739.
John Wesley, Tr. 1740. a.*

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Ich habe nun den Grund gefunden.

L. M. 61.

1 NOW I have found the ground wherein
Sure my soul's anchor may remain ;
The wounds of Jesus, for my sin
Before the world's foundation slain ;

Whose mercy shall unshaken stay,
When heaven and earth are fled away

2 Father, Thine everlasting grace
Our scanty thought surpasses far :
Thy heart still melts with tenderness,
Thine arms of love still open are,
Returning sinners to receive,
That mercy they may taste, and live.

3 O Love, thou bottomless abyss !
My sins are swallowed up in Thee :
Covered is my unrighteousness,
No spot of guilt remains on me :
While Jesus' Blood, through earth and skies,
Mercy, free, boundless mercy, cries !

*John Andrew Rotie. 1728.
John Wesley, Tr. 1740.*

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L. M. 6l.

1 JESUS, I know, hath died for me ;
Here is my hope, my joy, my rest ;
Hither, when hell assails, I flee,
I look into my Saviour's breast :
Away, sad doubt and anxious fear !
Mercy is all that's written there.

2 Though waves and storms go o'er my head,
Though strength, and health, and friends
be gone ;
Though joys be withered all and dead,
Though every comfort be withdrawn ;
On this my steadfast soul relies,
Father, Thy mercy never dies.

3 Fixed on this ground will I remain,
Though my heart fail and strength decay ;
This anchor shall my soul sustain,
When earth's foundations melt away.

Mercy's full power I then shall prove,
Loved with an everlasting Love.

*John Andrew Rothe. 1728.
John Wesley, Tr. 1740. a.*

PEACE AND JOY.

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PSALM 1.

S. M

- 1 THE man is ever blest,
Who shuns the sinner's ways;
Among their counsels never stands,
Nor takes the scorner's place:
- 2 But makes the law of God
His study and delight,
Amid the labors of the day,
And watches of the night.
- 3 He like a tree shall thrive,
With waters near the root;
Fresh as the leaf, his name shall live;
His works are heavenly fruit.
- 4 Not so the ungodly race,
They no such blessings find;
Their hopes shall flee like empty chaff
Before the driving wind.
- 5 How will they bear to stand
Before that judgment-seat,
Where all the saints at Christ's right hand
In full assembly meet?
- 6 He knows and He approves
The way the righteous go:
But sinners and their works shall meet
A dreadful overthrow.

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S. M.

1 COME, ye that love the Lord,
 C And let your joys be known ;
 Join in a song with sweet accord,
 While ye surround His throne.
 Let those refuse to sing
 Who never knew our God ;
 But servants of the heavenly King
 May speak their joys abroad.

2 The God that rules on high,
 That all the earth surveys,
 That rides upon the stormy sky,
 And calms the roaring seas :
 This awful God is ours,
 Our Father and our Love :
 He will send down His heavenly powers
 To carry us above.

3 There we shall see His face,
 And never, never sin :
 There, from the rivers of His grace,
 Drink endless pleasures in.
 The men of grace have found
 Glory begun below :
 Celestial fruit on earthly ground
 From faith and hope may grow.

4 The hill of Zion yields
 A thousand sacred sweets,
 Before we reach the heavenly fields,
 Or walk the golden streets.
 Then let our songs abound,
 And every tear be dry ;
 We're marching through Emmanuel's ground
 To fairer worlds on high.

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PROVERBS iii: 13, 17.

C. M.

- 1 HOW happy is the man who hears
Instruction's warning voice,
And who celestial wisdom makes
His early, only choice !
- 2 For she has treasures greater far
Than east or west unfold ;
And her rewards more precious are
Than all their stores of gold.
- 3 She guides the young with innocence
In pleasure's path to tread ;
A crown of glory she bestows
Upon the hoary head.
- 4 According as her labors rise,
So her rewards increase ;
Her ways are ways of pleasantness,
And all her paths are peace.

Michael Bruce. 1770.

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S. M.

- 1 WHAT cheering words are these !
Their sweetness who can tell ?
In time and to eternal days,
" 'Tis with the righteous well."
- 2 In every state secure,
Kept by Jehovah's eye,
'Tis well with them while life endure,
And well when called to die.
- 3 'Tis well when joys arise ;
'Tis well when sorrows flow ;
'Tis well when darkness veils the skies.
And strong temptations blow.
- 4 'Tis well when on the mount
They feast on dying Love :
And 'tis as well in God's account,
When they the furnace prove.

5 'Tis well when Jesus calls,
 "From earth and sin arise,
 Join with the hosts of ransomed souls,
 Made to salvation wise."

John Kent. 1803. a.

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1 CHILDREN of the heavenly King,
 As ye journey, sweetly sing ;
 Sing your Saviour's worthy praise,
 Glorious in his works and ways.

2 We are travelling home to God,
 In the way the fathers trod ;
 They are happy now, and we
 Soon their happiness shall see.

3 O ye banished seed, be glad !
 Christ our advocate is made ;
 Us to save, our flesh assumes ;
 Brother to our souls becomes.

4 Sing, ye little flock and blest :
 You on Jesus' soul shall rest :
 There your seat is now prepared,
 There your kingdom and reward.

5 Fear not, brethren, joyful stand
 On the borders of your land ;
 Jesus Christ, your Father's Son,
 Bids you undismayed go on.

6 Lord, obediently we go,
 Gladly leaving all below ;
 Only Thou our Leader be,
 And we still will follow Thee.

John Cennick 1742. a.

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C. M.

WHEN I can read my title clear
 To mansions in the skies,
 I bid farewell to every fear,
 And wipe my weeping eyes.

2 Should earth against my soul engage,
And hellish darts be hurled ;
Then I can smile at Satan's rage,
And face a frowning world.

3 Let cares like a wild deluge come,
And storms of sorrow fall,
May I but safely reach my home,
My God, my heaven, my all !

4 There shall I bathe my weary soul
In seas of heavenly rest ;
And not a wave of trouble roll
Across my peaceful breast.

Watts. 1709.

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6, 8, 4.

1 THE God of Abram praise,
T Who reigns enthroned above ;
Ancient of everlasting days,
And God of Love !
Jehovah, great I AM,
By earth and heaven confess ;
I bow and bless the sacred Name,
For ever blest.

2 The God of Abram praise,
At whose supreme command
From earth I rise, and seek the joys
At His right hand :
I all on earth forsake,
Its wisdom, fame, and power,
And Him my only Portion make,
My Shield and Tower.

3 The God of Abram praise,
Whose all-sufficient grace
Shall guide me, all my happy days,
In all His ways :

He calls a worm His friend ;
 He calls Himself my God ;
 And He shall save me to the end
 Through Jesus' Blood.

4 He by Himself hath sworn ;
 I on His oath depend ;
 I shall, on eagles' wings upborne,
 To heaven ascend :
 I shall behold His face,
 I shall His power adore,
 And sing the wonders of His grace
 For evermore.

Thomas Olivers. 1772.

CONSECRATION.

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PSALM 119.

C. M

1 THOU art my portion, O my God !
 T Soon as I know Thy way,
 My heart makes haste to obey Thy word,
 And suffers no delay.

2 I choose the path of heavenly truth,
 And glory in my choice ;
 Not all the riches of the earth
 Could make me so rejoice.

3 The testimonies of Thy grace
 I set before mine eyes :
 Thence I derive my daily strength,
 And there my comfort lies.

4 If once I wander from Thy path
 I think upon My ways ;
 Then turn my feet to Thy commands,
 And trust Thy pardoning grace.

5 Now I am Thine, for ever Thine:
 O save Thy servant, Lord !
 Thou art my Shield, my Hiding-place ;
 My hope is in Thy Word.

6 Thou hast inclined this heart of mine
 Thy statutes to fulfil ;
 And thus, till mortal life shall end,
 Would I perform Thy will.

*Watts. 1719.***383***S. M.*

1 TEACH me, my God and King,
 In all things Thee to see:
 And what I do in any thing,
 To do it as for Thee !

2 To scorn the senses' sway,
 While still to Thee I tend :
 In all I do be Thou the Way,
 In all be Thou the End !

3 All may of Thee partake :
 Nothing so small can be,
 But draws, when acted for Thy sake,
 Greatness and worth from Thee.

4 If done to obey Thy laws,
 Even servile labors shine :
 Hallowed is toil, if this the cause,
 The meanest work divine.

*John Wesley. 1739.
From George Herbert. 1632.***384***C. M.*

1 BEING of beings, God of love,
 To Thee our hearts we raise ;
 Thy all-sustaining power we prove,
 And gladly sing Thy praise.

2 Thine, wholly Thine, we long to be ;
Our sacrifice receive !
Made, and preserved, and saved by Thee,
To Thee ourselves we give.

3 Come, Holy Ghost, the Saviour's love
Shed in our hearts abroad :
So shall we ever live and move
And be with Christ in God.

C. Wesley. 1739.

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Wie gut ist's, von der Sünden frei.

C. M.

1 **H**OW blessed, from the bonds of sin,
And earthly fetters free,
In singleness of heart and aim
Thy servant, Lord, to be !
The hardest toil to undertake
With joy at Thy command,
The meanest office to receive
With meekness at Thy hand !

2 With willing heart and longing eyes
To watch before Thy gate,
Ready to run the weary race,
To bear the heavy weight ;
No voice of thunder to expect,
But follow calm and still,
For love can easily divine
The One Beloved's will.

3 Thus may I serve Thee, gracious Lord !
Thus ever Thine alone,
My soul and body given to Thee,
The purchase Thou hast won :
Through evil or through good report
Still keeping by Thy side,
By life or death, in this poor flesh
Let Christ be magnified !

4 How happily the working days
 In this dear service fly !
 How rapidly the closing hour,
 The time of rest, draws nigh !
 When all the faithful gather home,
 A joyful company,
 And ever where the Master is,
 Shall His blest servants be.

*Charles John Spitta. 1833.
 Jane Borthwick, Tr. 1853.*

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6, 4.

1 O THOU best Gift of Heaven !
 Thou who Thyself hast given,—
 For Thou hast died !
 This hast Thou done for me :
 What have I done for Thee,
 Thou Crucified ?

2 I long to serve Thee more :
 Reveal an open door,
 Saviour, to me ;
 Then, counting all but loss,
 I'll glory in Thy Cross,
 And follow Thee.

3 Do Thou but point the way,
 And give me strength to obey ;
 Thy will be mine :
 Then can I think it joy
 To suffer or to die,
 Since I am Thine.

Nicholls. 1837.

HOLINESS.

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Rerum Creator omnium.

S. M.

1 C REATOR of mankind,
 Thy promised help we claim,
 That so our life Thou mayst not find
 Unworthy of our name.

2 If Thou Thy grace deny,
We cannot rightly strive;
In Thee alone to sin we die,
In Thee alone we live.

3 Our goings, Lord, uphold,
Till this dark vale be passed;
Till through temptations manifold
We reach Thy rest at last.

4 O happy, peaceful rest,
Prepared for saints above,
Where they with all Thy joys are blest,
And drink Thy streams of Love!

5 O Trinity divine,
To Thee our hearts we raise:
May we with saints in glory shine,
And share their songs of praise!

John Chandler. 1837. a.

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S. M.

1 **G**OD of eternal Love,
Our Father and our Friend,
We lift our hearts to Thee above:
Do Thou our prayer attend.

2 Baptized into Thy Name,
We all have Christ put on:
O may Thy love our hearts inflame,
The course of truth to run.

3 May earthly feelings die,
And fruits of faith increase;
And Adam's nature prostrate lie
Before the Prince of Peace.

4 Endue us, Lord, with strength,
To triumph over sin:
That we may with Thy saints at length
Eternal glory win.

Seaton's Church H. B. 1855

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L. M.

- 1 **S**O let our lips and lives express
The holy Gospel we profess:
So let our works and virtues shine,
To prove the doctrine all divine.
- 2 Thus shall we best proclaim abroad
The honors of our Saviour God ;
When His salvation reigns within,
And grace subdues the power of sin.
- 3 Our flesh and sense must be denied,
Passion and envy, lust and pride ;
While justice, temperance, truth and love
Our inward piety approve.
- 4 Religion bears our spirits up,
While we expect that blessed hope,
The bright appearance of the Lord,
And faith stands leaning on His Word.

Watts. 1709.

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PSALM 19.

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- 1 **B**LEST Instructor ! from Thy ways,
Who can tell, how oft he strays !
Save from error's growth my mind ;
Leave not, Lord, one root behind.
- 2 Purge me from the guilt, that lies
Wrapt within my heart's disguise ;
Let me thence, by Thee renewed,
Each presumptuous sin exclude.
- 3 Let my tongue, from error free,
Speak the words approved by Thee !
To Thine all-observing eyes
Let my thoughts accepted rise.

4 While I thus Thy Name adore,
 And Thy healing grace implore,
 Blest Redeemer, bow Thine ear !
 God, my Strength, propitious hear.

James Merrick. 1765. a.

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L. M.

1 **M**Y God ! permit me not to be
 A stranger to myself and Thee :
 Amidst a thousand thoughts I rove,
 Forgetful of my highest love.

2 Why should my passions mix with earth,
 And thus debase my heavenly birth ?
 Why should I cleave to things below,
 And let my God, my Saviour, go ?

3 Call me away from flesh and sense ;
 Thy sovereign word can draw me thence :
 I would obey the Voice divine,
 And all inferior joys resign.

Watts. 1709.

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S. M.

1 **B**LEST are the pure in heart,
 For they shall see our God ;
 The secret of the Lord is theirs,
 Their soul is Christ's abode.

2 Still to the lowly soul
 He doth Himself impart,
 And for His temple and His throne
 Chooseth the pure in heart.

3 Lord, we Thy presence seek,
 May ours this blessing be ;
 O give the pure a d lowly heart
 A temple meet for Thee !

John Keble. 1827. a.

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PSALM 119.

C. M.

- 1 O THAT the Lord would guide my ways,
To keep His statutes still !
O that my God would grant me grace
To know and do His will !
- 2 Order my footsteps by Thy Word,
And make my heart sincere ;
Let sin have no dominion, Lord,
But keep my conscience clear.
- 3 Assist my soul, too apt to stray,
A stricter watch to keep ;
And should I e'er forget Thy way,
Restore Thy wandering sheep.
- 4 Make me to walk in Thy commands ;
'Tis a delightful road :
Nor let my head, or heart, or hands,
Offend against my God.

Watts. 1719. a

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PSALM 15.

7s.

- 1 WHO, O Lord, when life is o'er,
Shall to heaven's blest mansions soar ?
Who, an ever-welcome guest,
In Thy holy place shall rest ?
- 2 He whose heart Thy Love has warmed ;
He whose will, to Thine conformed,
Bids his life unsullied run ;
He whose word and thought are one :
- 3 He who shuns the sinner's road,
Loving those who love their God ;
Who, with hope and faith unfeigned,
Treads the path by Thee ordained ;
- 4 He who trusts in Christ alone,
Not in aught himself has done ;

He, great God, shall be Thy care,
And Thy choicest blessings share.

*Harriet Auber. 1829.
From James Merrick. 1765.*

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C. M.

- 1 FATHER, whate'er of earthly bliss
F Thy sovereign hand denies,
Accepted at Thy throne of grace,
Let this petition rise :
- 2 Give me a calm, a thankful heart,
From every murmur free ;
The blessings of Thy grace impart,
And let me live to Thee.
- 3 Let the sweet hope that Thou art mine
My path of life attend ;
Thy presence through my journey shine,
And crown my journey's end.

Anne Steele. 1760. a.

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C. M.

- 1 O FOR a closer walk with God,
A calm and heavenly frame ;
A light to shine upon the road
That leads me to the Lamb !
- 2 Return, O holy Dove, return,
Sweet Messenger of rest !
I hate the sins That made Thee mourn,
And drove Thee from my breast.
- 3 The dearest idol I have known,
Whate'er that idol be,
Help me to tear it from Thy throne,
And worship only Thee.
- 4 So shall my walk be close with God,
Calm and serene my frame ;
So purer light shall mark the road
That leads me to the Lamb.

William Cowper. 1779.

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C. M.

- 1 O COULD I find from day to day
A nearness to my God !
Then should my hours glide sweet away,
And lean upon His Word.
- 2 Lord, I desire with Thee to live
Anew from day to day ;
In joys the world can never give,
Nor ever take away.
- 3 O Jesus, come and rule my heart,
And make me wholly Thine,
That I may never more depart,
Nor grieve Thy Love divine.
- 4 Thus till my last expiring breath
Thy goodness I'll adore ;
And when my flesh dissolves in death,
My soul shall love Thee more.

Hartford Selection. 1799.

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L. M.

- 1 O THOU who all things canst control,
Chase sloth and slumber from my soul ;
With joy and fear, with love and awe,
Give me to keep Thy perfect law.
- 2 O may one beam of Thy blest light
Pierce through, dispel the shades of night :
Touch my cold breast with heavenly fire,
With holy, conquering zeal inspire.
- 3 With steps unwavering, undismayed,
Give me in all Thy paths to tread.
Rise, Lord, stir up Thy quickening power
And wake me, that I sleep no more.
- 4 Single of heart O may I be !
Nothing may I desire but Thee ;

Far, far from me the world remove,
And all that holds me from Thy Love!

From the German.
John Wesley, Tr. 1739. a.

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C. M.

- 1 O FOR a heart to praise my God,
 A heart from sin set free !
 A heart that always feels Thy Blood,
 So freely shed for me !
- 2 A heart resigned, submissive, meek,
 My great Redeemer's throne ;
 Where only Christ is heard to speak,
 Where Jesus reigns alone.
- 3 An humble, lowly, contrite heart,
 Believing, true, and clean ;
 Which neither life nor death can part
 From Him that dwells within.
- 4 A heart in every thought renewed,
 And full of love divine ;
 Perfect, and right, and pure, and good,
 A copy, Lord of Thine !
- 5 Thy nature, gracious Lord, impart,
 Come quickly from above ;
 Write Thy new Name upon my heart,
 Thy new, best Name of Love.

C. Wesley. 1742. a.

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C. M.

- 1 O FOR a principle within
 Of jealous godly fear ;
 O for a tender dread of sin,
 A pain to feel it near.
- 2 That I from Thee no more may part,
 No more Thy goodness grieve,
 The filial awe, the loving heart,
 The tender conscience give.

3 Quick as the apple of an eye,
 O God, my conscience make ;
 Awake my soul when sin is nigh,
 And keep it still awake.

4 If to the right or left I stray,
 That moment, Lord, reprove ;
 Nor let me wander far away,
 Nor ever grieve Thy Love.

5 O may the least omission pain
 My well-instructed soul ;
 And drive me to the Blood again,
 Which makes the wounded whole.

C. Wesley. 1749. a.

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S. M.

1 JESUS, my Strength, my Hope,
 On Thee I cast my care ;
 With humble confidence look up,
 And know Thou hear'st my prayer.
 Give me on Thee to wait,
 Till I can all things do ;
 On Thee, almighty to create,
 Almighty to renew.

2 I want a godly fear,
 A quick discerning eye,
 That looks to Thee when sin is near,
 And sees the tempter fly :
 A spirit still prepared,
 And armed with jealous care,
 For ever standing on its guard,
 And watching unto prayer.

3 I want a true regard,
 A single, steady aim,
 Unmoved by threatening or reward,
 To Thee and Thy great Name :

A zealous, just concern
For Thine immortal praise ;
A pure desire that all may learn
And glorify Thy grace.

4 I rest upon Thy Word ;
Thy promise is for me :
My succor and salvation, Lord,
Shall surely come from Thee.
But let me still abide,
Nor from my hope remove,
Till Thou my patient spirit guide
Into Thy perfect Love.

C. Wesley. 1742.

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S. M.

1 **G**OD of almighty Love,
By whose sufficient grace
I lift my heart to things above,
And humbly seek Thy face :
Through Jesus Christ the Just
My faint desires receive,
And let me in Thy goodness trust,
And to Thy glory live.

2 What'er I speak or do,
Thy glory be my aim ;
My offerings all be offered through
Thy ever-blessed Name :
Jesus, my single eye
Be fixed on Thee alone ;
Thy Name be praised on earth, on high :
Thy will by all be done !

C. Wesley. 1749.

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7s.

1 **F**AATHER of eternal grace,
Glorify Thyself in me !
Meekly beaming in my face,
May the world Thine image see.

2 Happy only in Thy Love,
 Poor, unfriended, or unknown,
 Fix my thoughts on things above ;
 Stay my heart on Thee alone.

3 Humble, holy, all resigned
 To Thy will,—Thy will be done !
 Give me, Lord, the perfect mind
 Of Thy well-beloved Son.

4 Counting gain and glory loss,
 May I tread the path He trod,
 Die with Jesus on the Cross,
 Rise with Him to Thee, my God !

James Montgomery. 1808.

LOVE TO GOD AND CHRIST.

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Liebe, die Du mich zum Bilde.

8, 7, 7.

1 L ORD, Thine image Thou hast lent me,
 In Thy never-fading Love ;
 I was fallen : but Thou hast sent me
 Full Redemption from above.
 Sacred Love, I long to be
 Thine to all eternity !

2 Love, Thou hast for me enduréd
 All the pains of death and hell ;
 Nay, Thy sufferings have procuréd
 More for me than tongue can tell :
 Love almighty and divine,
 I would be for ever Thine !

3 Love, my Life, and my Salvation,
 Light and Truth, eternal Word !
 Thou alone dost consolation
 To my sinking soul afford.
 Sacred Love, I long to be
 Thine to all eternity !

4 Love, in mercy Thou wilt raise me
 From the grave of sin and dust;
 Love, I shall for ever praise Thee
 When in heaven among the just;
 Love almighty and divine,
 May I be for ever Thine !

John Scheffler. 1657.

John Christian Jacobi, Tr. 1722. a

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Wie schön leucht' uns der Morgenstern.

1 O MORNING Star ! how fair and bright
 Thou beamest forth in truth and light !
 O Sov'reign meek and lowly,
 Thou Root of Jesse, David's Son,
 My Lord and Bridegroom, Thou hast won
 My heart to serve Thee solely !
 Holy art Thou, Fair and glorious,
 All victorious,
 Rich in blessing,
 Rule and might o'er all possessing.

2 Thou Heavenly Brightness ! Light Divine !
 O deep within my heart now shine,
 And make Thee there an altar !
 Fill me with joy and strength to be
 Thy member, ever joined to Thee
 In love that cannot falter ;
 Toward Thee longing Doth possess me,
 Turn and bless me,
 For Thy gladness
 Eye and heart here pine in sadness.

3 But if Thou look on me in love,
 There straightway falls from God above
 A ray of purest pleasure ;
 Thy Word and Spirit, Flesh and Blood,
 Refresh my soul with heavenly food,
 Thou art my hidden treasure ;

Let Thy grace, Lord, Warm and cheer me,
 O draw near me ;
 Thou hast taught us

Thee to seek since Thou hast sought us !

4 Here will I rest, and hold it fast,
 The Lord I love is First and Last,
 The End as the Beginning !

Here I can calmly die, for Thou
 Wilt raise me where Thou dwellest now,
 Above all tears, all sinning :

Amen ! Amen ! Come, Lord Jesus,
 Soon release us,
 With deep yearning,

Lord, we look for Thy returning.

*Philip Nicolai. 1597.
 Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1862.*

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O Jesu Christ mein schönstes Licht. L. M. 6L.

1 JESUS, Thy boundless Love to me
 No thought can reach, no tongue declare ;
 Unite my thankful heart to Thee,
 And reign without a rival there.
 Thine wholly, Thine alone I am ;
 Be Thou alone my constant flame.

2 O Love, how cheering is Thy ray !
 All pain before Thy presence flies ;
 Care, anguish, sorrow, melt away,
 Where'er Thy healing beams arise :
 O Jesus, nothing may I see,
 Nothing desire or seek but Thee !

3 Unwearied, may I this pursue,
 Dauntless to the high prize aspire ;
 Hourly within my soul renew
 This holy flame, this heavenly fire ;
 And day and night be all my care
 To guard this sacred treasure there !

*Paul Gerhardt. 1656.
 John Wesley, Tr. 1739. a.*

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*Continued.***L. M. 6l.**

1 O DRAW me, Saviour, after Thee !
 So shall I run and never tire.
 With gracious words still comfort me ;
 Be Thou my Hope, my sole Desire.
 Free me from every weight : nor fear
 Nor sin can come, if Thou art here.

2 From all eternity, with Love
 Unchangeable Thou hast me viewed.
 Ere knew this beating heart to move,
 Thy tender mercies me pursued.
 Ever with me may they abide,
 And close me in on every side.

3 Still let Thy Love point out my way ;
 How wondrous things Thy Love hath
 wrought !
 Still lead me, lest I go astray ;
 Direct my work, inspire my thought ;
 And if I fall, soon may I hear
 Thy voice, and know that Love is near.

4 In suffering be Thy love my peace,
 In weakness be Thy love my power ;
 And when the storms of life shall cease,
 Jesus, in that important hour,
 In death as life be Thou my Guide,
 And save me, who for me hast died !

Paul Gerhardt. 1656.
John Wesley, Tr. 1729.

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*Ich will Dich lieben.***L. M. 6l**

1 THEE will I love, my Strength, my Tower,
 Thee will I love, my Joy, my Crown ;
 Thee will I love with all my power,
 In all my works, and Thee alone :
 Thee will I love, till the pure fire
 Fill my whole soul with chaste desire.

2 I thank Thee, uncreated Sun,
 That Thy bright beams on me have shined ;
 I thank Thee, who hast overthrown
 My foes, and healed my wounded mind ;
 I thank Thee, whose enlivening voice
 Bids my freed heart in Thee rejoice.

3 Uphold me in the doubtful race,
 Nor suffer me again to stray ;
 Strengthen my feet, with steady pace
 Still to press forward in Thy way ;
 That all my powers, with all their might,
 In Thy sole glory may unite.

4 Thee will I love, my Joy, my Crown ;
 Thee will I love, my Lord, my God !
 Thee will I love, beneath Thy frown
 Or smile, Thy sceptre or Thy rod.
 What though my flesh and heart decay ?
 Thee shall I love in endless day.

*John Scheffler. 1657.
 John Wesley, Tr. 1739.*

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Verborgne Gottesliebe, Du.

L. M. 61.

1 **T**HOU hidden Love of God, whose height,
 Whose depth unfathomed no man knows :
 I see from far Thy beauteous light ;
 Only I sigh for Thy repose.
 My heart is pained, nor can it be
 At rest, till it finds rest in Thee.

2 Is there a thing beneath the sun,
 That strives with Thee my heart to share ?
 Ah tear it thence, and reign alone,
 The Lord of every motion there ;
 Then shall my heart from earth be free,
 When it hath found repose in Thee.

3 Each moment draw from earth away
 My heart, that lowly waits Thy call ;
 Speak to my inmost soul, and say,
 I am Thy Love, Thy God, Thy All !
 To feel Thy power, to hear Thy voice,
 To taste Thy Love, be all my choice.

Gerhard Tersteggen. 1731.
From Paul Gerhardt.
John Wesley, Tr. 1736

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*O Deus, ego amo Te.**C. M.*

1 **M**Y God, I love Thee ; not because
 I hope for heaven thereby ;
 Nor because they, who love Thee not,
 Must burn eternally.

2 Thou, O my Jesus ! Thou didst me
 Upon the Cross embrace ;
 For me didst bear the nails and spear,
 And manifold disgrace ;

3 And griefs and torments numberless,
 And sweat of agony ;
 E'en death itself—and all for one
 Who was Thine enemy.

4 Then why, O blessed Jesus Christ !
 Should I not love Thee well ?
 Not for the sake of winning heaven,
 Or of escaping hell ;

5 Not with the hope of gaining aught ;
 Not seeking a reward ;
 But, as Thyself hast lovéd me,
 O ever loving Lord !

6 E'en so I love Thee, and will love,
 And in Thy praise will sing ;
 Solely because Thou art my God,
 And my eternal King.

Francis Xavier. d. 1552.
Edward Cuswall, Tr. 1848.

TRUST.

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C. M.

- 1 O FOR a Faith that will not shrink,
Though prest by many a foe;
That will not tremble on the brink
Of poverty or woe;
- 2 That will not murmur nor complain
Beneath the chastening rod:
But in the hour of grief or pain
Can lean upon its God.
- 3 A faith that shines more bright and clear
When tempests rage without;
That when in danger knows no fear,
In darkness feels no doubt:
- 4 That bears unmoved the world's dread frown,
Nor heeds its scornful smile;
That sin's wild ocean cannot drown,
Nor Satan's arts beguile:
- 5 A faith that keeps the narrow way
Till life's last hour is fled,
And with a pure and heavenly ray
Lights up a dying bed.
- 6 Lord, give us such a faith as this,
And then whate'er may come,
We'll taste e'en here the hallowed bliss
Of an eternal home.

William Hiley Bathurst. 1830. a.

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PSALM 62.

L. M.

- 1 MY spirit looks to God alone;
My rock and refuge is His throne:
In all my fears, in all my straits,
My soul on His salvation waits.

2 Trust Him, ye saints, in all your ways,
 Pour out your hearts before His face:
 When helpers fail, and foes invade,
 God is our all-sufficient Aid.

Watts. 1719.

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PSALM 73.

C. M.

1 GOD, my Supporter and my Hope,
 My Help for ever near !
 Thine arm of mercy holds me up,
 And saves me from despair.

2 Thy counsels, Lord ! shall guide my feet,
 Through this dark wilderness ;
 Thy hand conduct me near Thy seat,
 To dwell before Thy face.

3 What if the springs of life were broke,
 And flesh and heart should faint ?
 God is my soul's eternal Rock,
 The Strength of every saint.

4 Behold, the sinners, that remove
 Far from Thy presence, die ;
 Not all the idol-gods they love
 Can save them when they cry.

5 But to draw near to Thee, my God !
 Shall be my sweet employ.
 My tongue shall sound Thy works abroad,
 And tell the world my joy.

Watts. 1719. a.

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C. M.

1 AUTHOR of good ! To Thee we turn :
 A Thine ever-wakeful eye
 Alone can all our wants discern,
 Thy hand alone supply.

2 O let Thy love within us dwell,
Thy fear our footsteps guide !
That love shall vainer love expel,
That fear all fears beside.

3 And since, by passion's force subdued,
Too oft, with stubborn will,
We blindly shun the latent good,
And grasp the specious ill :

4 Not what we wish, but what we want,
Let mercy still supply :
The good, unasked, let mercy grant,
The ill, though asked, deny.

James Merrick. 1765.

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C. M.

1 FATHER, to Thee my soul I lift ;
My soul on Thee depends,
Convinced that every perfect gift
From Thee alone descends.

2 Mercy and grace are Thine alone,
And power and wisdom too ;
Without the Spirit of Thy Son
We nothing good can do.

3 Thou all our works in us hast wrought,
Our good is all divine ;
The praise of every virtuous thought
Or righteous work is Thine.

4 From Thee, through Jesus, we receive
The power on Thee to call,
In whom we are, and move and live :
Our God is all in all.

C. Wesley. 1749.

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L. M.

1 A MIDST a world of hopes and fears,
A world of cares, and toils, and tears,
Where foes alarm, and dangers threat,
And pleasures kill, and glories cheat :

- 2 Send down, O Lord ! a heavenly ray,
To guide me in the doubtful way ;
And o'er me hold Thy Shield of power,
To guard me in the dangerous hour.
- 3 Teach me the flattering paths to shun,
In which the thoughtless many run,
Who for a shade the substance miss,
And grasp their ruin in their bliss.
- 4 May never pleasure, wealth, or pride,
Allure my wandering soul aside ;
But through this maze of mortal ill,
Safe lead me to Thy heavenly hill.
- 5 There glories shine, and pleasures roll,
That charm, delight, transport the soul ;
And every panting wish shall be
Possest of boundless bliss in Thee.

Henry Moore. 1802.

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C. M.

- 1 FATHER of lights, Thy needful aid
To us who ask impart ;
Mistrustful of ourselves, afraid
Of our own treacherous heart.
- 2 Our only Help in danger's hour,
Our only Strength Thou art ;
Above the world and tempter's power,
And greater than our heart.
- 3 Us from ourselves thou canst secure
In nature's slippery ways ;
And make our feeble footsteps sure
By Thy sufficient grace.
- 4 If on Thy promised grace alone
We faithfully depend,
Thou surely will protect Thy own,
And keep us to the end.

C. Wesley. 1767.

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8, 7.

1 GUIDE me, O Thou great Jehovah,
Pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but Thou art mighty,
Hold me with Thy powerful hand;
Bread of heaven,
Feed me till I want no more!

2 Open now the crystal fountain,
Whence the healing streams do flow;
Let the fiery, cloudy pillar,
Lead me all my journey through:
Strong Deliverer,
Be Thou still my Strength and Shield!

3 When I tread the verge of Jordan,
Bid my anxious fears subside:
Death of death and hell's Destruction,
Land me safe on Canaan's side:
Songs of praises
I will ever give to Thee.

William Williams. 1773

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C. M.

1 O HELP us, Lord! each hour of need
Thy heavenly succor give:
Help us in thought, and word, and deed,
Each hour on earth we live!

2 O help us, when our spirits bleed,
With contrite anguish sore;
And when our hearts are cold and dead,
O help us, Lord, the more!

3 O help us, through the prayer of faith,
More firmly to believe!
For still the more the servant hath,
The more shall he receive.

4 O help us, Jesus, from on high!
We know no help but Thee:
O help us so to live and die
As Thine in heaven to be!

Henry Hart Milman. 1827.

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C. M.

1 O LORD, my best desire fulfil,
And help me to resign
Life, health, and comfort to Thy will,
And make Thy pleasure mine.

2 Why should I shrink at Thy command,
Whose Love forbids my fears?
Or tremble at the gracious Hand
That wipes away my tears?

3 No! let me rather freely yield
What most I prize to Thee,
Who never hast a good withheld,
Nor wilt withhold from me.

4 Thy favor, all my journey through,
Thou art engaged to grant;
What else I want, or think I do,
'Tis better still to want.

William Cowper. 1779.

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Mein Jesu, wie Du willt.

6s.

1 MY Jesus, as Thou wilt!
O may Thy will be mine!
Into Thy hand of love
I would my all resign.
Through sorrow or through joy
Conduct me as Thine own,
And help me still to say,
My Lord, Thy will be done!

2 My Jesus, as Thou wilt!
If needy here and poor,
Give me Thy people's bread,
Their portion rich and sure.

The manna of Thy word
 Let my soul feed upon ;
 And if all else should fail,
 My Lord, Thy will be done !

3 My Jesus, as Thou wilt !
 Though seen through many a tear,
 Let not my star of hope
 Grow dim or disappear :
 Since Thou on earth hast wept
 And sorrowed oft alone,
 If I must weep with Thee,
 My Lord, Thy will be done !

4 My Jesus, as Thou wilt !
 When death itself draws nigh,
 To Thy dear wounded side
 I would for refuge fly.
 Leaning on Thee, to go
 Where Thou before hast gone :
 The rest as Thou shalt please :
 My Lord, Thy will be done !

5 My Jesus, as Thou wilt !
 All shall be well for me :
 Each changing future scene
 I gladly trust with Thee.
 Thus to my home above
 I travel calmly on,
 And sing, in life or death,
 My Lord, Thy will be done !

*Benjamin Schmolk. d. 1737.
 June Borthwick, Tr. 1853.*

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Wer Gott vertraut. Iambic. 8, 7.

1 WHO puts his trust in God most just
 Hath built his house securely ;
 He who relies on Jesus Christ,
 Heaven shall be his most surely.

Then fixed on Thee my trust shall be,
 Whose truth can never alter ;
 While mine Thou art, not death's worst smart
 Shall make my courage falter.

2 Though fiercest foes my course oppose,
 A dauntless front I'll show them :
 My champion Thou, Lord Christ, art now,
 Who soon shall overthrow them !
 And if but Thee I have in me
 With Thy good gifts and Spirit,
 Nor death nor hell, I know full well,
 Shall hurt me, through Thy merit.

3 I rest me here without a fear ;
 By Thee shall all be given
 That I can need, O Friend indeed,
 For this life or for heaven. . . .
 O make me true, my heart renew,
 My soul and flesh deliver !
 Lord, hear my prayer, and in Thy care
 Keep me in peace for ever.

*Unknown. ab. 1592.
 Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1858. a.*

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Was von auszen und von innen.

7s.

1 **L**ORD, Thou art my Rock of strength,
L And my home is in Thine arms.
 Thou wilt send me help at length,
 And I feel no wild alarms.
 Sin nor death can pierce the shield
 Thy defence has o'er me thrown :
 Up to Thee myself I yield,
 And my sorrows are Thine own.

2 Yes, on Thee, my God, I rest,
 Letting life float calmly on ;
 For I know the last is best,
 When the crown of joy is won.

In Thy might all things I bear,
 In Thy Love find bitter sweet,
 And with all my grief and care
 Sit in patience at Thy feet.

3 Let Thy mercy's wings be spread
 O'er me; keep me close to Thee;
 In the peace Thy Love doth shed,
 Let me dwell eternally.
 Be my All: in all I do
 Let me only seek Thy will.
 Where the heart to Thee is true,
 All is peaceful, calm and still.

*August Hermann Franke. d. 1727.
 Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1855.*

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Ist Gott für mich, so trete.

7, 6.

1 If God Himself be for me,
 I may a host defy;
 For when I pray, before me
 My foes confounded fly.
 If Christ, the Head, befriend me,
 If God be my support,
 The mischief they intend me
 Shall quickly come to naught.

2 I build on this foundation,
 That Jesus and His Blood
 Alone are my salvation,
 The true eternal good:
 Without Him, all that pleases
 Is valueless on earth:
 The gifts I owe to Jesus
 Alone my love are worth.

3 His Holy Spirit dwelleth
 Within my willing heart,
 Tames it when it rebelleth,
 And soothes the keenest smart.

He crowns His work with blessing,
 And helpeth me to cry
 "My Father!" without ceasing
 To Him who reigns on high.

4 To mine His spirit speaketh
 Sweet words of soothing power,
 How God to him that seeketh
 For rest, hath rest in store.
 How God Himself prepareth
 My heritage and lot,
 And though my body weareth,
 My heaven shall fail me not.

*Paul Gerhardt. 1656.
 Richard Massie, Tr. 1856.*

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Continued.

S. M.

1 **H**ERE I can firmly rest;
 I dare to boast of this,
 That God the highest and the Best,
 My Friend and Father is.

2 From dangerous snares He saves:
 Where'er He bids me go
 He checks the storms and calms the waves,
 Nor lets aught work me woe.

3 At cost of all I have,
 At cost of life and limb,
 I cling to God, who yet shall save:
 I will not turn from Him.

4 The world may fail and flee;
 Thou, God, my Father art!
 Not fire, nor sword, nor plague, from Thee
 My trusting soul shall part.

5 No joys that angels know;
 No throne or wide-spread fame,
 No love or loss, no fear or woe,
 No grief of heart or shame—

6 Man cannot aught conceive,
Of pleasure or of harm,
That e'er shall tempt my soul to leave
Her refuge in Thine arm.

*Paul Gerhardt. 1656.
Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1855. a.*

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L. M.

1 GOD of my life, whose gracious power
Through various deaths my soul hath led ;
Or turned aside the fatal hour,
Or lifted up my shaking head :

2 In all my ways Thy hand I own,
Thy ruling Providence I see :
O help me still my course to run,
And still direct my paths to Thee.

3 Whither, O whither should I fly,
But to my loving Saviour's breast ?
Secure within Thine arms to lie,
And safe beneath Thy wings to rest !

4 I have no skill the snare to shun,
But Thou, O Christ, my wisdom art !
I ever into ruin run ;
But Thou art greater than my heart.

5 Foolish, and impotent, and blind,
Lead me a way I have not known ;
Bring me where I my heaven may find,
The heaven of loving Thee alone.

6 Enlarge my heart to make Thee room ;
Enter, and in me ever stay :
The crooked then shall straight become ;
The darkness shall be lost in day.

C. Wesley. 1740.

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PSALM 31.

S. M.

1 **M**Y spirit on Thy care,
Blest Saviour, I recline;
Thou wilt not leave me to despair,
For Thou art Love divine.

2 In Thee I place my trust,
On Thee I calmly rest :
I know Thee good, I know Thee just,
And count Thy choice the best.

3 Whate'er events betide,
Thy will they all perform ;
Safe in Thy breast my head I hide,
Nor fear the coming storm.

4 Let good or ill befall,
It must be good for me ;
Secure of having Thee in all,
Of having all in Thee.

Henry Francis Lyte. 1834.

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PSALM 121.

H. M.

1 **U**PWARD I lift mine eyes ;
From God is all my aid ;
The God who built the skies,
And earth and nature made.
God is the Tower | His grace is nigh
To which I fly ; | In every hour.

2 My feet shall never slide
And fall in fatal snares,
Since God, my Guard and Guide,
Defends me from my fears.
Those wakeful eyes | Shall Israel keep
That never sleep | When dangers rise.

3 No burning heats by day,
Nor blasts of evening air,
Shall take my health away,
If God be with me there.

Thou art my Sun, | To guard my head
And Thou my Shade, | By night or noon.

4 Hast Thou not given Thy word
To save my soul from death?
And can I trust my Lord
To keep my mortal breath.

I'll go and come, | Till from on high
Nor fear to die, | Thou call me home.

Watts. 1719.

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7s.

1 **S**OVEREIGN Ruler of the skies,
Ever gracious, ever wise!
All my times are in Thy hand,
All events at Thy command.

2 Thou didst form me in the womb;
Thou wilt guide me to the tomb:
All my times shall ever be
Ordered by Thy wise decree.

3 Times of sickness, times of health;
Times of penury and wealth;
Times of trial and of grief;
Times of triumph and relief:

4 Times the tempter's power to prove,
Times to taste a Saviour's Love:
All must come, endure and end,
As shall please my heavenly Friend.

5 O Thou gracious, wise, and just!
Unto Thee my life I trust;
Know that Thou art God alone;
I and mine are all Thine own.

6 Thee at all times will I bless:
Having Thee, I all possess.
How can I bereavéd be,
Since I cannot part with Thee?

John Ryland. 1777. a.

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7, 6.

1 IN holy contemplation
 We sweetly now pursue
 The theme of God's salvation,
 And find it ever new.
 Set free from present sorrow,
 We cheerfully can say,
 Let the unknown to-morrow
 Bring with it what it may.

2 It can bring with it nothing,
 But He will bear us through ;
 Who gives the lilies clothing
 Will clothe His people too.
 Beneath the spreading heavens
 No creature but is fed ;
 And He who feeds the ravens
 Will give His children bread.

3 Though vine nor fig tree neither
 Their wonted fruit should bear ;
 Though all the field should wither,
 Nor flocks nor herds be there :
 Yet God the same abiding,
 His praise shall tune my voice ;
 For while in Him confiding,
 I cannot but rejoice.

William Cowper. 1779. a.

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*Wer nur den lieben Gott lässt walten.***L. M. 6l.**

1 MY God, I leave to Thee my ways ;
 I hope in Thee whate'er betide,
 To find Thee in the evil days
 My all-sufficient Strength and Guide ;
 Who trusts in God's unchanging Love
 Builds on the Rock that naught can move.

2 What can our anxious cares avail,
 Our never-ceasing moans and sighs ?
 What can it help us to bewail
 Each painful moment as it flies ?
 Our cross and trials do but press
 The heavier for our bitterness.

3 Help me my restless heart to still,
 And wait in cheerful hope, content
 To take whate'er Thy gracious Will,
 Thy all-discerning Love, hath sent ;
 Nor doubt my inmost wants are known
 To Him who chose me for His own.

4 Thou know'st when joyful hours are best,
 And send'st them as Thou seest it meet :
 When I have borne the fiery test,
 And am made free from all deceit,
 Thou comest to me all unaware,
 And makest me own Thy loving care.

5 Help me to swerve not from Thy ways,
 But do my own part faithfully,
 And trust Thy promises of grace,
 That they may be fulfilled in me.
 Thou never wilt forsake at need
 The soul that trusts in Thee indeed.

*George Neumark. 1653.
 From Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1855.*

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S. M.

1 A WAY, my needless fears,
 A And doubts no longer mine !
 A ray of heavenly light appears,
 A messenger divine.

2 Thrice comfortable hope,
 That calms my stormy breast ;
 My Father's hand prepares the cup,
 And what he wills is best.

3 He knows whate'er I want ;
He sees my helplessness,
And always readier is to grant
Than I to ask His grace.

4 My fearful heart He reads,
Secures my soul from harms,
And underneath His mercy spreads
Its everlasting arms.

5 Here is firm footing ; here,
My soul, is solid rock,
To break the waves of grief and fear,
And trouble's rudest shock :

6 This only can sustain
When earth and heaven remove :
O turn Thee to Thy Rest again,
Thy God's eternal Love !

C. Wesley. 1749.

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Befiehl du deine Wege.

S. M.

1 COMMIT thou all thy griefs
And ways into His hands,
To His sure Truth and tender care,
Who earth and heaven commands :
Who points the clouds their course,
Whom winds and seas obey,
He shall direct thy wandering feet,
He shall prepare thy way.

2 Thou on the Lord rely,
So safe shalt thou go on ;
Fix on His work thy steadfast eye,
So shall thy work be done.
No profit canst thou gain
By self-consuming care ;
To Him commend thy cause ; His ear
Attends the softest prayer.

3 Thy everlasting Truth,
 Father, Thy ceaseless Love,
 Sees all Thy children's wants, and knows
 What best for each will prove.
 And whatsoe'er Thou will'st,
 Thou dost, O King of kings!
 What Thy unerring Wisdom chose,
 Thy Power to being brings.

4 Thou every where hast sway,
 And all things serve Thy might;
 Thy every act pure blessing is,
 Thy path unsullied light.
 When Thou arisest, Lord,
 What shall Thy work withstand?
 When all Thy children want Thou giv'st,
 Who, who shall stay Thy hand?

*Paul Gerhardt. 1656.
 John Wesley, Tr. 1739.*

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Continued.

S. M.

1 GIVE to the winds thy fears,
 Hope and be undismayed;
 God hears thy sighs, and counts thy tears,
 God shall lift up thy head.
 Through waves and clouds and storms
 He gently clears thy way:
 Wait thou His time, so shall this night
 Soon end in joyous day.

2 Still heavy is thy heart?
 Still sink thy spirits down?
 Cast off the weight, let fear depart,
 And every care be gone.
 What though thou rulest not,
 Yet heaven and earth and hell
 Proclaim, God sitteth on the throne,
 And ruleth all things well!

3 Leave to His sovereign sway
To choose and to command :
So shalt thou wondering own, His way
How wise, how strong His hand !
Far, far above thy thought
His counsel shall appear.
When fully He the work hath wrought
That caused thy needless fear.

4 Thou seest our weakness, Lord,
Our hearts are known to Thee :
O lift Thou up the sinking hand,
Confirm the feeble knee !
Let us in life, in death,
Thy steadfast Truth declare,
And publish with our latest breath
Thy Love and guardian care !

*Paul Gerhardt. 1656.
John Wesley, Tr. 1739.*

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6, 4.

1 **M**Y faith looks up to Thee,
Thou Lamb of Calvary,
Saviour divine !
Now hear me while I pray ;
Take all my guilt away ;
O let me from this day
Be wholly Thine.

2 May Thy rich grace impart
Strength to my fainting heart,
My zeal inspire ;
As Thou hast died for me,
O may my love to Thee
Pure, warm, and changeless be,
A living fire.

3 While life's dark maze I tread,
And griefs around me spread,

Be Thou my Guide;
 Bid darkness turn to day,
 Wipe sorrow's tears away,
 Nor let me ever stray
 From Thee aside.

4 When ends life's transient dream,
 When death's cold sullen stream
 Shall o'er me roll;
 Blest Saviour, then, in love,
 Fear and distrust remove;
 O bear me safe above,
 A ransomed soul.

Ray Palmer. 1830.

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S. M.

1 JESUS, my Truth, my Way,
 My sure, unerring Light,
 On Thee my feeble soul I stay,
 Which Thou wilt lead aright.

2 My Wisdom and my Guide,
 My counsellor Thou art:
 O let me never leave Thy side,
 Nor from Thy paths depart.

3 Thou seest my feebleness;
 Jesus, be Thou my Power,
 My help and Refuge in distress,
 My Fortress and my Tower.

4 Give me to trust in Thee;
 Be Thou my sure abode:
 My horn, and rock, and buckler be,
 My Saviour and my God.

5 Myself I cannot save,
 Myself I cannot keep;
 But strength in Thee I surely have,
 Whose eyelids never sleep.

6 My soul to Thee alone
 Now therefore I command :
 Thou, Jesus, having loved Thine own,
 Wilt love me to the end !

C. Wesley. 1749.

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L. M.

- 1 **M**Y Hope, my All, my Saviour Thou !
 To Thee, O Lord, my soul I bow.
 I seek the bliss Thy wounds impart,
 I long to find Thee in my heart.
- 2 Be Thou my Strength, be Thou my Way,
 Protect me through my life's short day :
 In all my acts let Wisdom guide,
 And keep me, Saviour, near Thy side.
- 3 Correct, reprove, and comfort me ;
 As I have need, my Saviour be ;
 And if I would from Thee depart,
 Then clasp me, Saviour, to Thy heart.
- 4 In fierce temptation's darkest hour,
 Save me from sin and Satan's power ;
 Tear every idol from Thy Throne,
 And reign, my Saviour, reign alone.

Unknown. 1802. a.

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C. M.

- 1 **O** LORD, I would delight in Thee,
 And on Thy care depend ;
 To Thee in every trouble flee,
 My best, my only Friend.
- 2 When all created streams are dried,
 Thy fulness is the same ;
 May I with this be satisfied,
 And glory in Thy Name !

3 No good in creatures can be found,
 But may be found in Thee ;
I must have all things, and abound,
 While God is God to me.

4 O that I had a stronger faith
 To look within the veil,
To credit what my Saviour saith,
 Whose word can never fail !

5 He that has made my heaven secure,
 Will here all good provide :
While Christ is rich, can I be poor ?
 What can I want beside ?

6 O Lord, I cast my care on Thee ;
 I triumph and adore :
Henceforth my great concern shall be
 To love and please Thee more.

John Ryland. 1777.

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Ach Gott, verlasz mich nicht.

6, 7.

1 FORSAKE me not, my God,
 Thou God of my salvation !
Give me Thy light, to be
 My sure illumination.
My soul to folly turns,
 Seeking she knows not what :
O lead her to Thyself ;
 My God, forsake me not !

2 Forsake me not, my God !
Take not Thy Spirit from me,
 And suffer not the might
Of sin to overcome me.
A father pitieith
 The children he begot ;
My Father, pity me !
 My God, forsake me not !

3 Forsake me not, my God,
 Thou God of life and power!
 Enliven, strengthen me,
 In every evil hour:
 And when the sinful fire
 Within my heart is hot,
 Be not Thou far from me:
 My God, forsake me not!

4 Forsake me not, my God!
 Uphold me in my going,
 That evermore I may
 Please Thee in all well-doing;
 And that Thy will, O Lord,
 May never be forgot
 In all my works and ways:
 My God, forsake me not!

5 Forsake me not, my God!
 I would be Thine for ever:
 Confirm me mightily
 In every right endeavor:
 And when my hour is come,
 Cleansed from all stain and spot
 Of sin, receive my soul:
 My God, forsake me not!

*Solomon Frank. d. 1725.
 Unknown, Tr. 1860.*

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Trauernd und mit bangem Sehnen.

7s.

1 **T**RUEST Friend, who canst not fail,
 Evermore abide with me:
 When the world would most assail,
 Then Thy presence let me see.
 When its heaviest thunders roll,
 Shelter Thou my trembling soul!
 Come, and in my spirit rest;
 Help me do what seems Thee best.

2 When life's day hath fleeted by,
 When the night of death is near,
 When in vain the darkened eye
 Seeks some stay, some helper here :
 Then Thy followers' prayer fulfil,
 Then abide Thou with us still :
 Till Thou give us heavenly rest,
 Stay, O stay, Thou noble Guest !

*John Neunherz. ab. 1720.
 Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1858. a.*

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O treuer Heiland Jesu Christ.

C. M.

1 WE praise and bless Thee, gracious Lord,
 Our Saviour kind and true,
 For all the old things passed away,
 For all Thou hast made new.

2 But yet how much must be destroyed,
 How much renewed must be,
 Ere we can fully stand complete
 In likeness, Lord, to Thee!

3 Thou, only Thou, must carry on
 The work Thou hast begun ;
 Of Thine own strength Thou must impart,
 In Thine own ways to run.

4 Ah, leave us not ! from day to day
 Revive, restore again ;
 Our feeble steps do Thou direct,
 Our enemies restrain.

5 When flesh shall fail, then strengthen Thou
 The spirit from above ;
 Make us to feel Thy service sweet,
 And light Thy yoke of love.

6 So shall we faultless stand at last
 Before Thy Father's throne ;
 The blessedness for ever ours,
 The glory all Thine own !

*Charles John Spitta. ab. 1825.
 Jane Borthwick, Tr. 1853. a.*

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S. M.

- 1 O H, what, if we are Christ's,
Is earthly shame or loss ?
Bright shall the crown of glory be
When we have borne the Cross.
- 2 Keen was the trial once,
Bitter the cup of woe,
When martyred saints, baptized in blood,
Christ's sufferings shared below.
- 3 Bright is their glory now,
Boundless their joy above,
Where on the bosom of their God
They rest in perfect love.
- 4 Lord, may that grace be ours,
Like them in faith to bear
All that of sorrow, grief, or pain
May be our portion here :
- 5 Enough if Thou at last
The word of blessing give,
And let us rest in Thine own home,
Where saints and angels live.
- 6 All glory, Lord, to Thee,
Whom heaven and earth adore ;
To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
One God for evermore.

Sir Henry William Baker. 1861.

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S. M.

- 1 TO God the only wise,
Our Saviour and our King,
Let all the saints below the skies
Their humble praises bring.
- 2 'Tis His almighty Love,
His counsel and His care,
Preserves us safe from sin and death,
And every hurtful snare.

3 He will present our souls
Unblemished and complete
Before the glory of His face,
With joys divinely great.

4 Then all His faithful sons
Shall meet around the throne,
Shall bless the conduct of His grace,
And make his wonders known.

5 To our Redeemer God
Wisdom and power belongs,
Immortal crowns of majesty,
And everlasting songs.

Watts. 1709. a.

FOLLOWING CHRIST.

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8, 7.

1 JESUS, I my cross have taken,
All to leave and follow Thee ;
Destitute, despised, forsaken,
Thou, from hence, my All shalt be.
Perish every fond ambition,
All I've sought, or hoped, or known ;
Yet how rich is my condition !
God and heaven are still my own.

2 Man may trouble and distress me,
'Twill but drive me to Thy breast ;
Life with trials hard may press me,
Heaven will bring me sweeter rest.
O, 'tis not in grief to harm me,
While Thy Love is left to me ;
O, 'twere not in joy to charm me,
Were that joy unmixed with Thee.

3 Take, my soul, thy full salvation ;
 Rise o'er sin, and fear, and care ;
 Joy to find in every station
 Something still to do or bear.
 Think what Spirit dwells within thee ;
 What a Father's smile is thine ;
 What a Saviour died to win thee :
 Child of heaven, shouldst thou repine ?

4 Haste thee on from grace to glory,
 Armed by faith and winged by prayer ;
 Heaven's eternal day's before thee,
 God's own hand shall guide thee there.
 Soon shall close thy earthly mission,
 Swift shall pass thy pilgrim days ;
 Hope shall change to glad fruition,
 Faith to sight, and prayer to praise.

Henry Francis Lyte. 1825.

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L. M.

1 JESUS, and shall it ever be,
 J A mortal man ashamed of Thee ?
 Ashamed of Thee, whom angels praise,
 Whose glories shine through endless days !

2 Ashamed of Jesus ! sooner far
 Let evening blush to own a star ;
 He sheds the beams of light divine
 O'er this benighted soul of mine.

3 Ashamed of Jesus ! just as soon
 Let midnight be ashamed of noon :
 'Tis midnight with my soul, till He,
 Bright Morning Star, bid darkness flee.

4 Ashamed of Jesus ! that dear Friend
 On whom my hopes of heaven depend !
 No ; when I blush, be this my shame,
 That I no more revere His Name.

5 Ashamed of Jesus ! yes, I may,
When I've no guilt to wash away,
No tear to wipe, no good to crave,
No fears to quell, no soul to save.

6 Till then—nor is my boasting vain—
Till then I boast a Saviour slain !
And O, may this my glory be,
That Christ is not ashamed of me !

*Joseph Grigg. 1738.
And Benjamin Francis. 1787.*

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L. M. 6 l.

1 R EDEEMER, whither should I flee,
Or how escape the wrath to come ?
The weary sinner flies to Thee
For shelter from impending doom :
Smile on me, gracious Lord, and show
Thyself the Friend of sinners now.

2 Beneath the shadow of Thy Cross
My heavy-laden soul finds rest :
Let me esteem the world as dross,
So I may be of Thee possest !
I borrow every joy of Thee,
For Thou art Life and Light to me.

3 Close to my Saviour's bloody Tree
My soul, untired, shall ever cleave ;
Despised and crucified with Thee,
With Christ resolved to die and live :
My prayer, my grand ambition this,
Living and dying, to be His.

Augustus M. Toplady. 1759.

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Jesu, geh voran.

5, 8.

1 JESUS, still lead on,
Till our Rest be won !
And although the way be cheerless,
We will follow, calm and fearless.
Guide us by Thy hand
To our Fatherland !

2 If the way be drear,
 If the foe be near,
 Let not faithless fears o'ertake us,
 Let not faith and hope forsake us ;
 For through many a foe
 To our home we go !

3 When we seek relief
 From a long-felt grief ;
 When temptations come alluring,
 Make us patient and enduring :
 Show us that bright shore
 Where we weep no more !

4 Jesus, still lead on,
 Till our Rest be won ;
 Heavenly Leader, still direct us,
 Still support, console, protect us,
 Till we safely stand
 In our Fatherland !

*Nicholas Louis, Count Zinzendorf. 1721.
 Jane Borthwick, Tr. 1853. a.*

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Meinen Jesum lasz ich nicht.

8, 7, 8.

1 I WILL leave my Jesus never !
 On the Cross for me He died ;
 Love shall draw me to Him ever,
 At His feet I will abide.
 Of my life the Light for ever,
 I will leave my Jesus never.

2 In His Name I stand acquitted
 While upon the earth I stay :
 What I have to Him committed
 He will keep until that day.
 Be His service my endeavor ;
 I will leave my Jesus never !

3 Dwelling in His presence holy,
 I at length shall reach the place
 Where with all the saints in glory
 I shall see His lovely face ;
 Nothing then but bliss for ever :
 I will leave my Jesus never !

4 Not the earth with all its treasure
 Could content this soul of mine ;
 Not alone for heavenly pleasure
 Doth my thirsty spirit pine ;
 For its Saviour yearning ever !
 I will leave my Jesus never :

5 From that living Fountain drinking,
 Walking always at His side,
 Christ shall lead me without sinking
 Through the river's rushing tide,
 With the blest to sing for ever ;
 I will leave my Jesus never !

*Christian Keymann. 1656.
 Unknown, Tr. 1864.*

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L. M.

1 O THOU, to whose all-searching sight
 The darkness shineth as the light !
 Search, prove my heart : it pants for Thee :
 O burst these bonds, and set it free.

2 Wash out its stains, refine its dross ;
 Nail my affections to the Cross !
 Hallow each thought ; let all within
 Be clean, as Thou, my Lord, art clean.

3 If in this darksome wild I stray,
 Be Thou my Light, be Thou my Way ;
 No foes, no violence I fear,
 No fraud, while Thou, my God, art near.

- 4 When rising floods my soul o'erflow,
When sinks my heart in waves of woe,
Jesus, Thy timely aid impart,
And raise my head, and cheer my heart.
- 5 Saviour, where'er Thy steps I see,
Dauntless, untired, I'd follow Thee ;
O let Thy hand support me still,
And lead me to Thy holy hill !
- 6 If rough and thorny be the way,
My strength proportion to my day ;
Till toil and grief and pain shall cease,
Where all is calm, and joy and peace.

*Nicholas Louis, Count Zinzendorf.
John Wesley, Tr. 1739.*

THE HEAVENLY SPIRIT.

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L. M.

- 1 BESET with snares on every hand,
In life's uncertain path I stand :
Saviour divine ! diffuse Thy light,
To guide my doubtful footsteps right.
- 2 Engage this roving treacherous heart
Wisely to choose the better part ;
To scorn the trifles of a day,
For joys that none can take away.
- 3 Then let the wildest storms arise ;
Let tempests mingle earth and skies :
No fatal shipwreck shall I fear,
But all my treasures with me bear.
- 4 If Thou, my Jesus, still be nigh,
Cheerful I live, and joyful die :
Secure, when mortal comforts flee,
To find ten thousand worlds in Thee.

Doddridge. 1755. a.

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O der Alles hätt' verloren.

8, 7.

- 1 WELL for him who all things losing,
Even himself doth count as naught,
Still the one thing needful choosing,
That with all true bliss is fraught !
- 2 Well for him who all forsaking,
Walketh not in shadows vain,
But the path of peace is taking
Through this vale of tears and pain !
- 3 O that we our hearts might sever
From earth's tempting vanities,
Fixing them on Him for ever,
In whom all our fulness lies !
- 4 O that ne'er our eyes might wander
From our God : so might we cease
Ever o'er our sins to ponder,
And our conscience be at peace !
- 5 Thou Abyss of love and goodness,
Draw us by Thy Cross to Thee,
That our senses, soul and spirit,
Ever one with Christ may be !

*Gottfried Arnold. 1697.
Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1855.*

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7, 6, 7.

- 1 RISE, my soul, and stretch thy wings,
Thy better portion trace ;
Rise from transitory things
Toward heaven, thy native place.
Sun, and moon, and stars decay ;
Time shall soon this earth remove ;
Rise, my soul, and haste away
To seats prepared above.

2 Rivers to the ocean run,
 Nor stay in all their course ;
 Fire ascending seeks the sun ;
 Both speed them to their source :
 So a soul that's born of God
 Pants to view His glorious face ;
 Upward tends to His abode,
 To rest in His embrace.

3 Cease, ye pilgrims, cease to mourn,
 Press onward to the prize ;
 Soon your Saviour will return,
 Triumphant in the skies :
 Yet a season, and you know
 Happy entrance will be given ;
 All your sorrows left below,
 And earth exchanged for heaven.

Robert Seagrave. 1' 42. a.

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Ich bin ein Gast auf Erden.

7, 6.

1 **A** PILGRIM and a stranger,
 I journey here below :
 Far distant is my country,
 The home to which I go.
 Here I must toil and travail,
 Oft weary and opprest,
 But there my God shall lead me
 To everlasting rest.

2 There still my thoughts are dwelling,
 'Tis there I long to be ;
 Come, Lord, and call Thy servant
 To blessedness with Thee !
 Come, bid my toils be ended,
 Let all my wanderings cease ;
 Call from the wayside lodging
 To the sweet home of peace !

3 There I shall dwell for ever,
 No more a stranger guest,
 With all Thy blood-bought children,
 In everlasting rest :
 The pilgrim toils forgotten,
 The pilgrim conflicts o'er,
 All earthly griefs behind us,
 Eternal joys before !

*Paul Gerhardt. 1667.
 Jane Borthwick, Tr. 1862.*

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Himmelan geht unsere Bahn.

7, 8, 7.

1 HEAVENWARD still our pathway tends,
 Here on earth we are but strangers,
 Till our road in Canaan ends,
 Safely passed this wild of dangers :
 Here we but as pilgrims rove,
 For our home is there above.

2 Heavenward still, my soul, ascend !
 Thou art one of heaven's creations ;
 Earth can ne'er give aim or end
 Fit to fill thy aspirations ;
 And a heaven-enlightened mind
 Ever turns, its Source to find.

3 Heavenward still ! God calls to me,
 In His Word so loudly speaking ;
 Glimpses in that Word I see
 Of the home I'm ever seeking ;
 While my heart that call attends,
 Still to heaven my path ascends.

4 Heavenward still my spirit wends,
 That fair land by faith exploring ;
 Heavenward still my heart ascends,
 Sun and moon and stars outsoaring :
 Their faint rays in vain would try
 With the light of heaven to vie.

5 Heavenward still, when life shall close,
Death to my true home shall guide me :
Then, triumphant o'er my woes,
Lasting bliss shall God provide me.
Christ Himself the way has led ;
Joyful in His steps I tread.

6 Still then heavenward ! heavenward still !
This shall be my watchword ever :
Heaven's delights my heart shall fill,
Chasing joys that filled it never.
Heavenward still my thoughts shall run,
Till the gate of heaven is won.

*Benjamin Schmolck. 1731.
Frances Elizabeth Cox, Tr. 1841.*

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Ach, uns wird das Herz so leer. Trochaic. 7, 6.

1 A H, this heart is void and chill,
'Mid earth's noisy thronging ;
For the Father's mansions still
Earnestly is longing.

2 O to be at home, and gain
All for which we're sighing ;
From all earthly want and pain
To be swiftly flying !

3 With this load of sin and care
Then no longer bending,
But with waiting angels there
On our Lord attending !

4 Ah, how blessed, blessed they
Who have rightly striven,
And rejoice eternally
With their Lord in heaven !

*Charles John Spitta. ab. 1828.
Jane Borthwick, Tr. 1853.*

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C. M.

1 THE roseate hues of early dawn,
 The brightness of the day,
 The crimson of the sunset sky,
 How fast they fade away !
 O for the pearly gates of heaven !
 O for the golden floor !
 O for the Sun of Righteousness
 That setteth nevermore !

2 The highest hopes we cherish here,
 How fast they tire and faint !
 How many a spot defiles the robe
 That wraps an earthly saint !
 O for a heart that never sins !
 O for a soul washed white !
 O for a voice to praise our King,
 Nor weary day or night !

3 Here faith is ours, and heavenly hope,
 And grace to lead us higher :
 But there are perfectness and peace
 Beyond our best desire.
 O by Thy Love and anguish, Lord,
 O by Thy life laid down,
 Grant that we fall not from Thy grace,
 Nor cast away our crown !

Cecil Frances Alexander. 1853.

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WATCHFULNESS AND FIDELITY.

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S. M.

1 A CHARGE to keep I have,
 A God to glorify ;
 A never-dying soul to save,
 And fit it for the sky.

2 To serve the present age,
My calling to fulfil ;
O may it all my powers engage
To do my Master's will !

3 Arm me with jealous care,
As in Thy sight to live ;
And O, Thy servant, Lord, prepare,
A strict account to give !

4 Help me to watch and pray,
And on Thyself rely,
Assured, if I my trust betray,
I shall for ever die.

C. Wesley. 1762.

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C. M.

1 A WAKE, my soul ! stretch every nerve,
And press with vigor on :
A heavenly race demands thy zeal,
And an immortal crown.

2 A cloud of witnesses around
Hold thee in full survey :
Forget the steps already trod,
And onward urge thy way.

3 'Tis God's all animating voice
That calls thee from on high ;
'Tis His own hand presents the prize
To thine aspiring eye.

4 Blest Saviour, introduced by Thee,
Have I my race begun ;
And crowned with victory, at Thy feet
I'll lay my honors down.

Doddridge. 1755.

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L. M.

1 A WAKE, our souls, away our fears ;
Let every trembling thought be gone.
Awake, and run the heavenly race,
And put a cheerful courage on.

2 True, 'tis a strait and thorny road,
And mortal spirits tire and faint ;
But they forget the mighty God,
Who feeds the strength of every saint.

3 The mighty God, whose matchless power,
Is ever new and ever young,
And firm endures, while endless years
Their everlasting cycles run.

4 From Thee, the ever-flowing Spring,
Our souls shall drink a fresh supply ;
While such as trust their native strength
Shall melt away, and droop, and die.

5 Swift as an eagle cuts the air,
We'll mount aloft to Thine abode ;
On wings of love our souls shall fly,
Nor tire amid the heavenly road.

Watts. 1709.

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L. M.

1 STAND up, my soul, shake off thy fears,
And gird the Gospel armor on ;
March to the gates of endless joy,
Where Jesus, thy great Captain's gone.

2 Hell and thy sins resist thy course,
But hell and sin are vanquished foes ;
Thy Jesus nailed them to the Cross,
And sung the triumph when He rose.

3 Then let my soul march boldly on,
Press forward to the heavenly gate ;
There peace and joy eternal reign,
And glittering robes for conquerors wait.

4 There shall I wear a starry crown,
And triumph in almighty grace ;
While all the armies of the skies
Join in my glorious Leader's praise.

Watts. 1709. a.

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C. M.

- 1 **A** M I a soldier of the Cross,
A follower of the Lamb?
And shall I fear to own His cause,
Or blush to speak His Name?
- 2 Must I be carried to the skies
On flowery beds of ease,
While others fought to win the prize,
And sailed through bloody seas?
- 3 Are there no foes for me to face?
Must I not stem the flood?
Is this vain world a friend to grace,
To help me on to God?
- 4 Sure I must fight, if I would reign:
Increase my courage, Lord;
I'll bear the toil, endure the pain,
Supported by Thy word.
- 5 Thy saints, in all this glorious war,
Shall conquer, though they die;
They see the triumph from afar,
By faith they bring it nigh.
- 6 When that illustrious day shall rise
And all Thine armies shine
In robes of victory through the skies,
The glory shall be Thine.

Watts 1709. a.

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S. M.

- 1 **S**OLDIERS of Christ, arise,
And put your armor on,
Strong in the strength which God supplies,
Through His eternal Son;
- 2 Strong in the Lord of Hosts,
And in His mighty power:
Who in the strength of Jesus trusts
Is more than conqueror.

3 Stand then in His great might,
With all His strength endued ;
But take, to arm you for the fight,
The panoply of God :

4 That having all things done,
And all your conflicts past,
Ye may o'ercome through Christ alone.
And stand entire at last.

5 From strength to strength go on,
Wrestle, and fight, and pray :
Tread all the powers of darkness down,
And win the well-fought day.

6 Still let the Spirit cry,
In all his soldiers, "Come,"
Till Christ the Lord descends from high,
And takes the conqueror home.

C. Wesley. 1749.

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S. M.

1 **M**Y soul, be on Thy guard ;
Ten thousand foes arise,
And hosts of sin are pressing hard
To draw thee from the skies.

2 O watch, and fight, and pray,
The battle ne'er give o'er ;
Renew it boldly every day,
And help divine implore.

3 Ne'er think the victory won,
Nor once at ease sit down ;
Thine arduous work will not be done,
Till thou receive thy crown.

4 Fight on, my soul, till death
Shall bring thee to thy God ;
He'll take thee at thy panting breath,
To His divine abode

George Heath. 1781.

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*Mein Jesu, Dem die Seraphinen.***L. M.**

1 **I**NTO Thy gracious hands I fall,
And with the arms of faith embrace ;
O King of glory, hear my call !
 O raise me, heal me by Thy grace !
Now righteous through Thy wounds I am :
 No condemnation now I dread ;
I taste salvation in Thy Name,
 Alive in Thee, my living Head !

2 Still let Thy wisdom be my guide,
 Nor take Thy light from me away :
Still with me let Thy grace abide,
 That I from Thee may never stray.
Let Thy Word richly in me dwell ;
 Thy peace and love my portion be ;
My joy to endure and do Thy will,
 Till perfect I am found in Thee.

3 Arm me with Thy whole armor, Lord !
 Support my weakness with Thy might ;
Gird on my thigh Thy conquering sword,
 And shield me in the threatening fight :
From faith to faith, from grace to grace,
 So in Thy strength shall I go on ;
Till heaven and earth flee from Thy face,
 And glory end what grace begun.

*Wolfgang Christopher Deszler. 1692.
John Wesley, Tr. 1739.*

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S. M.

1 **Y**E servants of the Lord,
 Each in his office wait,
Observant of His heavenly word,
 And watchful at His gate.

2 Let all your lamps be bright,
 And trim the golden flame ;
Gird up your loins, as in His sight,
 For awful is His Name.

3 Watch ! 'tis your Lord's command ;
And while we speak, He's near.

Mark the first signal of His hand,
And ready all appear.

4 O happy servant he,
In such a posture found !

He shall His Lord with rapture see,
And be with honor crowned.

Doddridge. 1715.

WISDOM AND SELF-KNOWLEDGE.

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C. M.

1 A LMIGHTY God, in humble prayer
To Thee our souls we lift :
Do Thou our waiting minds prepare
For Thy most needful gift.

2 We ask not golden streams of wealth
Along our path to flow ;
We ask not undecaying health,
Nor length of years below.

3 We ask not honors, which an hour
May bring and take away ;
We ask not pleasure, pomp, and power,
Lest we should go astray.

4 We ask for wisdom :—Lord, impart
The knowledge how to live ;
A wise and understanding heart
To all before Thee give.

5 The young remember Thee in youth,
Before the evil day !
The old be guided by Thy truth
In wisdom's pleasant way !

James Montgomery. 1825.

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C. P. M.

1 **B**E it my only wisdom here
 To serve the Lord with filial fear,
 With loving gratitude !
 Knowledge divine may I display,
 By shunning every evil way,
 And walking in the good.

2 O may I still from sin depart !
 A wise and understanding heart,
 Jesus, to me be given !
 And let me through Thy Spirit know
 To glorify my God below,
 And find my way to heaven.

C. Wesley. 1762. a.

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PSALM 119.

L. M.

1 **T**EACH me, O teach me, Lord, Thy way ;
 That, to my life's remotest day,
 By Thine unerring precepts led,
 My feet Thy heavenly paths may tread.

2 Informed by Thee, with sacred awe
 My heart shall meditate Thy law ;
 And, with celestial wisdom filled,
 To Thee its full obedience yield.

3 Give me to know Thy will aright,
 Thy will, my glory and delight ;
 That, raised above the world, my mind
 In Thee its highest good may find.

4 O turn from vanity my eye ;
 To me Thy quickening strength supply ;
 And with Thy promised mercy cheer
 A heart devoted to Thy fear.

James Merrick. 1765. a.

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L. M.

- 1 **W**HAT strange perplexities arise,
What anxious fears and jealousies !
What crowds in doubtful light appear,
How few, alas, approved and clear !
- 2 And what am I?—my soul, awake,
And an impartial survey take.
Does no dark sign, no ground of fear,
In practice or in heart appear ?
- 3 What image does my spirit bear ?
Is Jesus formed and living there ?
Ah, do His lineaments divine
In thought, and word, and action shine ?
- 4 Searcher of hearts, O search me still ;
The secrets of my soul reveal ;
My fears remove ; let me appear
To God and my own conscience clear !

Samuel Davies. 1769. a.

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C. M.

- 1 **S**EARCHER of hearts, before Thy face
I all my soul display,
And, conscious of its innate arts,
Entreat Thy strict survey.
- 2 If, lurking in its inmost folds,
I any sin conceal,
O let a ray of light divine
The secret guile reveal !
- 3 If in these fatal fetters bound
A wretched slave I lie :
Smite off my chains, and wake my soul
To light and liberty !
- 4 To humble penitence and prayer
Be gentle pity given ;
Speak ample pardon to my heart,
And seal its claim to heaven.

Doddridge. 1755.

SIMPLICITY AND HUMILITY.

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7s.

1 QUIET, Lord, my foward heart ;
 Q Make me teachable and mild ;
 Upright, simple, free from art,
 Make me as a weanéd child ;
 From distrust and envy free,
 Pleased with all that pleases Thee.

2 What Thou shalt to-day provide,
 Let me as a child receive ;
 What to-morrow may betide,
 Calmly to Thy wisdom leave.
 'Tis enough that Thou wilt care :
 Why should I the burden bear ?

3 As a little child relies
 On a care beyond his own,
 Knows he's neither strong nor wise,
 Fears to stir a step alone :
 Let me thus with Thee abide,
 As my Father, Guard, and Guide.

4 Thus preserved from Satan's wiles,
 Safe from dangers, free from fears,
 May I live upon Thy smiles,
 Till the promised hour appears,
 When the sons of God shall prove
 All their Father's boundless love.

John Newton. 1779.

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PSALM 131.

7s.

1 L ORD, if Thou Thy grace impart,
 L Poor in spirit, meek in heart,
 I shall as my Master be,
 Clothéd with humility.

2 Simple, teachable, and mild,
 Changed into a little child,

Pleased with all the Lord provides,
Weaned from all the world besides.

- 3 Father, fix my soul on Thee ;
Every evil let me flee :
Nothing want beneath, above,
Happy in Thy precious Love.
- 4 O that all may seek and find
Every good in Christ combined !
Him let Israel still adore,
Trust Him, praise Him evermore.

From C. Wesley. 1741.

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PSALM 131.

7s.

- 1 L ORD, for ever at Thy side
Let my place and portion be !
Strip me of the robe of pride,
Clothe me with humility.
- 2 Meekly may my soul receive
All Thy Spirit hath revealed.
Thou hast spoken ;—I believe,
Though the prophecy were sealed.
- 3 Quiet as a weanéd child,
Weanéd from the mother's breast ;
By no subtlety beguiled,
On Thy faithful Word I rest.
- 4 Saints, rejoicing evermore,
In the Lord Jehovah trust :
Him in all His ways adore,
Wise, and wonderful, and just.

James Montgomery. 1819.

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BENEVOLENCE.

L. M.

- 1 W HEN Jesus dwelt in mortal clay,
What were His works from day to day
But miracles of power and grace,
That spread salvation through our race ?

2 Teach us, O Lord ! to keep in view
 Thy pattern, and Thy steps pursue.
 Let alms bestowed, let kindness done
 Be witnessed by each rolling sun.

Thomas Gibbons. 1781.

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C. M.

1 JESUS, our Lord, how rich Thy grace !
 Thy bounties how complete !
 How shall we count the matchless sum ?
 How pay the mighty debt ?

2 High on a throne of radiant light
 Dost Thou exalted shine ;
 What can our poverty bestow,
 When all the worlds are Thine ?

3 But Thou hast brethren here below,
 The partners of Thy grace,
 And wilt confess their humble names
 Before Thy Father's face.

4 In them Thou mayst be clothed and fed,
 And visited and cheered ;
 And in their accents of distress
 Our Saviour's voice is heard.

5 Thy face, with reverence and with love,
 We in Thy poor would see ;
 O may we minister to them,
 And in them, Lord, to Thee.

Doddridge. 1755. a.

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7s.

1 FATHER of our feeble race,
 Wise, beneficent, and kind !
 Spread o'er nature's ample face,
 Flows Thy goodness unconfin'd.

2 Lord, what offerings shall we bring,
 At Thine altars when we bow ?
 Grateful loving hearts, the spring
 Whence the kind affections flow ;

3 Willing hands to lead the blind,
 Bind the wounded, feed the poor ;
 Love, embracing all our kind ;
 Charity, with liberal store.

4 Teach us, O Thou heavenly King,
 Thus to show our grateful mind ;
 Thus the accepted offering bring,
 Love to Thee and all mankind.

John Taylor. 1799. a.

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S. M.

1 WE give Thee but Thine own,
 Whate'er the gift may be :
 All that we have is Thine alone,
 A trust, O Lord, from Thee.

2 May we Thy bounties thus
 As stewards true receive,
 And gladly, as Thou blessest us,
 To Thee our first fruits give.

3 O hearts are bruised and dead,
 And homes are bare and cold,
 And lambs, for whom the Shepherd bled,
 Are straying from the fold !

4 To comfort and to bless,
 To find a balm for woe,
 To tend the lone and fatherless,
 Is angels' work below.

5 The captive to release,
 The lost to God to bring,
 To teach the way of life and peace,—
 It is a Christ-like thing.

6 And we believe Thy word,
 Though dim our faith may be ;
 Whate'er we do for Thine, O Lord,
 We do it unto Thee.

William Walsham How. 1860.

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C. M.

- 1 HOW shall we show our Love to Thee,
Thou living God most high,
But loving this Thy family,
For which Thou deignedst to die?
- 2 If Thou for me such Love didst bear,
Shall I not love again?
For all are objects of 'Thy care;
Thy Love doth all sustain.
- 3 If we have love for Thee in heaven,
'Tis seen by love on earth:
Love only, love which God hath given,
Doth prove our heavenly birth.
- 4 For all we know of God above,
And of His saints below,
And all we know of heaven, is Love,
And all we need to know.
- 5 Love is of life the only sign,
Love is our vital breath;
Love only shows the child divine,
Love only conquers death.
- 6 Whate'er we do, where'er we go,
Let love our sonship prove:
Our lives the fire celestial show,
Our thoughts and words be love.
- 7 O deign to send the love of Thee
From highest heaven above;
For then our life Thy praise shall be,
When all our life is love.
- 8 With praise to Thee our strains began,
With love to Thee shall end;
The love of Thee, and love of man,
From heaven O deign to send!

THE CROSS AND COMFORT.

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PSALM 42.

C. M.

- 1 A FFILCTION is a stormy deep,
A Where wave resounds to wave ;
Though o'er my head the billows roll,
I know the Lord can save.
- 2 The hand that now withholds my joys
Can reinstate my peace :
And He who bade the tempest roar,
Can bid that tempest cease.
- 3 In the dark watches of the night,
I'll count His mercies o'er ;
I'll praise Him for ten thousand past,
And humbly sue for more.
- 4 When darkness and when sorrows rose
And pressed on every side,
The Lord has still sustained my steps,
And still has been my Guide.
- 5 Here will I rest, and build my hopes,
Nor murmur at His rod ;
He's more than all the world to me,
My Health, my Life, my God !

Nathaniel Cotton. 1791. a.

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L. M.

- 1 G OD of my life, to Thee I call !
G Afflicted at Thy feet I fall ;
When the great water-floods prevail,
Leave not my trembling heart to fail !
- 2 Friend of the friendless and the faint !
Where should I lodge my deep complaint ?
Where but with Thee, whose open door
Invites the helpless and the poor ?
- 3 Did ever mourner plead with Thee,
And Thou refuse that mourner's plea ?

Does not the word still fixed remain,
That none shall seek Thy face in vain ?

- 4 That were a grief I could not bear,
Didst Thou not hear and answer prayer ;
But a prayer-hearing, answering God,
Supports me under every load.
- 5 Fair is the lot that's cast for me ;
I have an Advocate with Thee ;
They whom the world caresses most
Have no such privilege to boast.
- 6 Poor though I be, despised, forgot,
Yet God, my God, forgets me not ;
And he is safe, and must succeed,
For whom the Lord vouchsafes to plead.

William Cowper. 1779.

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C. M.

- 1 DEAR Refuge of my weary soul,
On Thee, when sorrows rise,
On Thee, when waves of trouble roll,
My fainting hope relies.
- 2 To Thee I tell each rising grief,
For Thou alone canst heal ;
Thy Word can bring a sweet relief
For every pain I feel.
- 3 Hast Thou not bid me seek Thy face ?
And shall I seek in vain ?
And can the ear of sovereign grace
Be deaf when I complain ?
- 4 No, still the ear of sovereign grace
Attends the mourner's prayer :
O may I ever find access,
To breathe my sorrows there !

Anne Steele. 1760.

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PSALM 86.

L. M.

1 O HEAR me, Lord, for I am poor,
And seek salvation at Thy door;
Bow down Thy gentle ear to me,
Who am opprest with misery.

2 Let mercy come from God on high,
The object of my daily cry;
I daily knock, I daily wait,
For mercy's alms, at mercy's gate.

3 Thou, Lord, art good, and Thou dost stand
With sealéd pardons in Thy hand;
O how the dews of mercy fall,
And answer at Thy people's call!

4 Lord, guide me in Thy secret way;
With such a Guide I shall not stray:
Bring me into a heavenly frame,
Unite my heart to fear Thy Name.

5 O King of Nations, Lord of all,
Before Thee shall all nations fall;
And every language shall confess
Thy glorious everlastingness!

John Mason. 1692. a

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11, 10.

1 COME, ye disconsolate, where'er ye languish;
Come to the mercy-seat, fervently kneel;
Here bring your wounded hearts, here tell your
anguish;—
Earth has no sorrow that Heaven cannot heal.

2 Joy of the desolate, light of the straying,
Hope, when all others die, fadeless and pure!
Here speaks the Comforter, tenderly saying,
Earth has no sorrow that Heaven cannot cure.

3 Here see the Bread of Life ; see waters flowing
 Forth from the throne of God, pure from above ;
 Come to the feast of love ; come, ever knowing
 Earth has no sorrow but Heaven can remove.

From Thomas Moore. 1824.

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C. H. M.

1 **W**HEN I can trust my all with God,
 In trial's fearful hour,
 Bow, all resigned, beneath His rod,
 And bless His sparing power,
 A joy springs up amid distress,
 A fountain in the wilderness.

2 O, to be brought to Jesus' feet,
 Though sorrows fix me there,
 Is still a privilege ; and sweet
 The energies of prayer,
 Though sighs and tears its language be,
 If Christ be nigh, and smile on me.

3 Then blessed be the Hand that gave,
 Still blessed when it takes :
 Blessed be He who smites to save,
 Who heals the heart He breaks.
 Perfect and true are all His ways,
 Whom heaven adores and death obeys,

Josiah Conder. 1818.

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S. M.

1 **I**N weariness and pain,
 By sins and fears oppress,
 I turn me to my Rest again,
 My soul's eternal Rest :

2 The Lamb that died for me,
 And still my load doth bear ;
 To Jesus' streaming wounds I flee,
 And find my quiet there.

3 Jesus, was ever grief,
Was ever love like Thine?
Thy sorrow, Lord, is my relief,
Thy life hath ransomed mine.

4 O may I rise with Thee,
And soar to things above,
And spend a blest eternity
In praise of dying Love.

C. Wesley. 1749. a.

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S. M.

1 THOU very present Aid
In suffering and distress ;
The soul which still on Thee is stayed
Is kept in perfect peace.

2 The soul by faith reclined
On his Redeemer's breast,
Midst raging storms exults to find
An everlasting rest.

3 Sorrow and fear are gone,
Whene'er Thy face appears ;
It stills the sighing orphan's moan,
And dries the widow's tears.

4 It hallows every cross ;
It sweetly comforts me ;
Makes me forget my every loss,
And find my all in Thee.

5 Peace to the troubled heart,
Health to the sin-sick mind ;
The wounded spirit's Balm Thou art,
The Healer of mankind.

6 Jesus, to whom I fly,
Doth all my wishes fill ;
In vain created streams are dry,
I have the Fountain still.

7 Stript of my earthly friends,
I find them all in One ;
And peace, and joy that never ends,
And heaven, in Christ alone.

C. Wesley. 1749. a.

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S. M.

1 YOUR harps, ye trembling saints,
Down from the willows take ;
Loud, to the praise of Love divine,
Bid every string awake.

2 Though in a foreign land,
We are not far from home ;
And nearer to our house above
We every moment come.

3 His grace will to the end
Stronger and brighter shine ;
Nor present things, nor things to come,
Shall quench the spark divine.

4 When we in darkness walk,
Nor feel the heavenly flame,
Then is the time to trust our God,
And rest upon His Name.

5 Soon shall our doubts and fears
Subside, at His control :
His loving-kindness shall break through
The midnight of the soul.

6 Blest is the man, O God,
That stays himself on Thee !
Who waits for Thy salvation, Lord,
Shall Thy salvation see.

Augustus M. Toplady. 1772.

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Wenn meine Sünd' mich kränken.

S. M.

1 WHEN sorrow and remorse
Prey at my heart, to Thee
I look, who on the holy Cross
Wast slain for wretched me.

2 Thy Passion, Lord, inspires
My spirit day by day,
That I from all low dark desires
Have strength to flee away.

3 Whate'er the burden be,
The Cross upon me laid,
Or want or shame, I look to Thee :
Be Thou, O Christ, my Aid.

4 And let Thy sorrows cheer
My soul when I depart :
Give strength to cast away all fear,
Console, sustain my heart.

5 Since Thou hast died for me,
Help me to trust Thy grace,
That Thou wilt take me up to Thee,
Where I shall see Thy face.

Justus Gesenius. 1640.

From Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1855.

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C. M.

1 THOU art my Hiding-place, O Lord!
T On Thee I fix my trust,
Encouraged by Thy holy Word,
A feeble child of dust.
I have no argument beside,
I urge no other plea ;
And 'tis enough the Saviour died,
The Saviour died for me.

2 When storms of fierce temptations beat,
And furious foes assail,
My refuge is the mercy-seat,
My hope within the veil.
From strife of tongues and bitter words
My spirit flies to Thee :
Joy to my heart the thought affords,
My Saviour died for me.

3 'Mid trials heavy to be borne,
 When mortal strength is vain,
 A heart with grief and anguish torn,
 A body racked with pain :
 Ah, what could give the sufferer rest,
 Bid every murmur flee,
 But this, the witness in my breast
 That Jesus died for me ?

4 And when Thy awful voice commands
 This body to decay,
 And life, in its last lingering sands,
 Is ebbing fast away,
 Then, though it be in accents weak,
 And faint and tremblingly,
 O give me strength in death to speak,
 " My Saviour died for me."

Thomas Raffles. 1843.

490

C. M.

1 O THOU, from whom all goodness flows,
 I lift my heart to Thee ;
 In all my sorrows, conflicts, woes,
 Dear Lord, remember me !

2 When on my aching, burdened heart
 My sins lie heavily,
 My pardon speak, new peace impart ;
 In love, remember me !

3 Temptations sore obstruct my way,
 And ills I cannot flee ;
 O give me strength, Lord, as my day ;
 For good, remember me !

4 Distrest with pain, disease, and grief,
 This feeble body see ;
 Grant patience, rest, and kind relief ;
 Hear, and remember me !

5 When in the solemn hour of death
 I wait Thy just decree :
 Be this the prayer of my last breath,
 Good Lord, remember me !

6 And when before Thy throne I stand
 And lift my soul to Thee :
 Then, with the saints at Thy right hand,
 Good Lord, remember me !

Thomas Haweis. 1792. a.

491

C. M.

1 **A**ND let this feeble body fail,
 And let it droop or die ;
 My soul shall quit the mournful vale
 And soar to worlds on high :
 Shall join the disembodied saints,
 And find its long-sought Rest,
 That only bliss for which it pants,
 In my Redeemer's breast.

2 In hope of that immortal crown,
 I now the Cross sustain,
 And gladly wander up and down,
 And smile at toil and pain :
 I suffer on my three-score years
 Till my Deliverer come,
 And wipe away His servant's tears,
 And take His exile home.

3 O what hath Jesus bought for me !
 Before my ravished eyes
 Rivers of life divine I see,
 And trees of paradise !
 I see a world of spirits bright,
 Who reap the pleasures there ;
 They all are clothed in robes of white,
 And conquering palms they bear.

4 O what are all my sufferings here,
 If, Lord, Thou count me meet,
 With that enraptured host to appear,
 And worship at Thy feet !
 Give joy or grief, give ease or pain,
 Take life or friends away ;
 But let me find them all again
 In that eternal day.

C. Wesley. 1759. a.

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C. M.

1 **L**ORD, it belongs not to my care,
 Whether I die or live :
 To love and serve Thee is my share,
 And this Thy grace must give.
 If life be long, I will be glad
 That I may long obey ;
 If short, yet why should I be sad
 To soar to endless day ?

2 Christ leads me through no darker rooms
 Than He went through before :
 He that into God's kingdom comes
 Must enter by this door.
 Come, Lord, when grace has made me meet
 Thy blessed face to see ;
 For if Thy work on earth be sweet,
 What will Thy glory be ?

3 Then shall I end my sad complaints,
 And weary sinful days,
 And join with the triumphant saints,
 That sing Jehovah's praise.
 My knowledge of that Life is small,
 The eye of faith is dim ;
 But 'tis enough that Christ knows all,
 And I shall be with Him.

Richard Baxter. 1681. a.

NATIONAL.

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6, 4.

1 GOD bless our native land!
 G Firm may she ever stand,
 Through storm and night;
 When the wild tempests rave,
 Ruler of wind and wave,
 Do Thou our country save
 By Thy great might!

2 For her our prayer shall rise
 To God above the skies;
 On Him we wait:
 Thou who art ever nigh,
 Guarding with watchful eye,
 To Thee aloud we cry,
 God save the State!

John S. Dwight. 1844.

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H. M.

1 BEFORE the Lord we bow,
 B The God who reigns above,
 And rules the world below
 Boundless in power and love.

Our thanks we bring | Our hearts we raise
 In joy and praise, | To heaven's high King.

2 The nation Thou hast blest,
 May well Thy Love declare,
 From foes and fears at rest,
 Protected by Thy care.

For this fair land, | Our thanks we pay,—
 For this bright day, | Gifts of Thy hand.

3 May every mountain height,
 Each vale and forest green,
 Shine in Thy Word's pure light,
 And its rich fruits be seen!

May every tongue
Be tuned to praise, | And join to raise
A grateful song.

4 Earth! hear thy Maker's voice,
Thy great Redeemer own;
Believe, obey, rejoice,
And worship Him alone.

Cast down thy pride, | And bow before
Thy sin deplore, | The Crucified.

5 And when in power He comes,
O may our native land,
From all its rending tombs,
Send forth a glorious band,

A countless throng, | To heaven's high King
Ever to sing | Salvation's song.

Francis Scott Key. 1832. a.

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Fast-Day.

8, 7.

1 DREAD Jehovah, God of nations,
From Thy temple in the skies,
Hear Thy people's supplications,
Now for their deliverance rise!

2 Lo, with deep contrition turning,
Humbly at Thy feet we bend;
Hear us, fasting, praying, mourning,
Hear us, spare us, and defend.

3 Though our sins, our hearts confounding,
Long and loud for vengeance call,
Thou hast mercy more abounding,
Jesus' Blood can cleanse them all.

4 Let that Love veil our transgression,
Let that Blood our guilt efface:
Save Thy people from oppression,
Save from spoil Thy holy place.

Thomas Cotterill. 1827.

496

*Wenn wir in höchsten Nöthen seyn.**L. M.*

- 1 WHEN in the hour of utmost need
We know not where to look for aid ;
When days and nights of anxious thought
Nor help nor counsel yet have brought :
- 2 Then this our comfort is alone,
That we may meet before Thy throne,
And cry, O faithful God, to Thee
For rescue from our misery :
- 3 To Thee may raise our hearts and eyes,
Repenting sore with bitter sighs,
And seek Thy pardon for our sin,
And respite from our griefs within.
- 4 For Thou hast promised graciously
To hear all those who cry to Thee,
Through Him whose Name alone is great,
Our Saviour and our Advocate.
- 5 And thus we come, O God, to-day,
And all our woes before Thee lay ;
For tried, afflicted, lo ! we stand,
Peril and foes on every hand.
- 6 Ah, hide not for our sins Thy face ;
Absolve us through Thy boundless grace ;
Be with us in our anguish still,
Free us at last from every ill.
- 7 That so with all our hearts may we
Once more with joy give thanks to Thee,
And walk obedient to Thy Word,
And now and ever praise the Lord.

*Paul Eber. 1547.
Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1858. a.*

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PSALM 20.

L. M.

- 1 NOW may the God of power and grace
Attend His people's humble cry !
Jehovah hear when Israel prays,
And bring deliverance from on high !

2 The Name of Jacob's God defends
Better than shields or brazen walls ;
He from His sanctuary sends
Succor and strength when Zion calls.

3 In His salvation is our hope,
And in the name of Israel's God
Our troops shall lift their banners up,
Our navies spread their flags abroad.

4 Some trust in horses trained for war,
And some of chariots make their boasts ;
Our surest expectations are
From Thee, the Lord of heavenly hosts.

5 Now save us, Lord, from slavish fear ;
Now let our hope be firm and strong,
Till Thy salvation shall appear,
And joy and triumph raise the song.

Watts. 1719.

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S. M.

1 LET God, the mighty God,
The Lord of hosts, arise,
With terror clad, with strength endued,
And rend and bow the skies !
Called down by faithful prayer,
Saviour, appear below,
Thy hand lift up, Thine arm make bare,
And quell Thy people's foe.

2 Our Refuge in distress,
In danger's darkest hour,
Appear as in the ancient days,
With full redeeming power :
That Thy redeemed may sing
In glad triumphant strains,
The Lord is God, the Lord is King,
The Lord for ever reigns !

3 We with our ears have heard,
 Our fathers us have told
 The work that in their days appeared,
 And in the times of old :
 With such deliverance bless
 Whom Thou hast chose for Thine,
 That men and nations may confess
 The work is all divine !

C. Wesley. 1759.

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Continued.

S. M.

1 GOD of unbounded Power,
 God of unwearied Love,
 Be present in our dangerous hour,
 Our danger to remove :
 Jesus, Jehovah, Lord,
 Thy wonted aid we claim ;
 Not trusting in our bow or sword,
 But in Thy saving Name !

2 Our lives are hid with Thine,
 Our hairs are numbered all,
 Nor can without the Will divine
 One worthless sparrow fall.
 And shall a nation bleed,
 And shall a kingdom fail,
 While Thou, O Christ, art Lord and Head
 O'er heaven and earth and hell ?

3 Beneath Thy wings secure,
 In patience we possess
 Our souls, and quietly endure
 Whate'er our God decrees.
 Teach us to understand
 The thunder of Thy power,
 And thus, O Lord, to see Thy Hand,
 Thy Truth and Love adore.

4 Escaped the hostile sword,
 O may we fly to Thee,
 And find in our redeeming Lord
 Our life and liberty.
 Our Strength and Righteousness,
 O let us hold Thee fast,
 With confidence divine, and peace
 That shall forever last.

C. Wesley. 1759 a.

500

Herr Gott, wir danken Dir.

6, 7, 6.

1 **L**ORD God, we worship Thee !
 In loud and happy chorus,
 We praise Thy love and power,
 Whose goodness reigneth o'er us.
 To heaven our song shall soar,
 For ever shall it be
 Resounding o'er and o'er,
 Lord God, we worship Thee !

2 Lord God, we worship Thee !
 For Thou our land defendest ;
 Thou pourest down Thy grace,
 And strife and war Thou endest.
 Since golden peace, O Lord,
 Thou grantest us to see,
 Our land, with one accord,
 Lord God, gives thanks to Thee !

3 Lord God, we worship Thee !
 Thou didst indeed chastise us,
 Yet still Thy anger spares,
 And still Thy mercy tries us :
 Once more our Father's hand
 Doth bid our sorrows flee,
 And peace rejoice our land :
 Lord God, we worship Thee !

4 Lord God, we worship Thee !
 And pray Thee, who hast blest us,
 That we may live in peace,
 And none henceforth molest us :
 O crown us with Thy Love ;
 Fulfil our cry to Thee :
 O Father, grant our prayer :
 Lord God, we worship Thee !

*John Frank. 1653.
 Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1862.*

HARVEST.

501

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1 PRAISE to God, immortal praise,
 For the Love that crowns our days !
 Bounteous Source of every joy,
 Let Thy praise our tongues employ !

2 For the blessings of the field,
 For the stores the gardens yield ;
 Flocks that whiten all the plain ;
 Yellow sheaves of ripened grain :

3 All that Spring, with bounteous hand,
 Scatters o'er the smiling land ;
 All that liberal Autumn pours
 From her overflowing stores :

4 These to Thee, our God ! we owe,
 Source whence all our blessings flow !
 And for these our souls shall raise
 Grateful vows and solemn praise.

Anna Letitia Barbauld. 1773.

502

L. M.

1 O GRACIOUS Hand that freely gives
 The fruits of earth, our toil to bless !
 O Love, by which the sinner lives !
 O let our tongues that Love confess !

2 Our God for all our need provides ;
 His sun alike o'er all doth shine ;
 From none his glorious beams he hides ;
 So rich, so free, His Love divine.

3 Again this Love our garners fills ;
 This Love again let all adore :
 The cry of want His bounty stills,
 Who biddeth all His Name implore.

4 O may our lives through grace abound
 In holy fruits, and Thee proclaim !
 Let all Thy courts with praises sound
 Thy gracious hand, Thy wondrous Name.

5 Lord, when Thou shalt descend from heaven,
 Thy ransomed harvest here to reap :
 O in that day Thy joy be given
 To those who now go forth and weep.

Arthur Tozer Russell. 1848. a.

503

L. M. 6l.

1 **L**ORD of the harvest ! once again
 We thank Thee for the ripened grain ;
 For crops safe carried, sent to cheer
 Thy servants through another year ;
 For all sweet holy thoughts supplied
 By seed-time, and by harvest-tide.

2 The bare dead grain, in autumn sown,
 Its robe of vernal green puts on ;
 Glad from its wintry grave it springs,
 Fresh garnished by the King of kings,
 So, Lord, to those who sleep in Thee
 Shall new and glorious bodies be.

3 Nor vainly of Thy Word we ask
 A lesson from the reaper's task ;
 So shall Thine angels issue forth ;
 The tares be burnt ; the just of earth,

Playthings of sun and storm no more,
Be gathered to their Father's store.

4 Daily, O Lord, our prayers be said,
As Thou hast taught, for daily bread ;
But not alone our bodies feed ;
Supply our fainting spirits' need !
O Bread of Life ! from day to day,
Be Thou their Comfort, Food, and Stay !

Joseph Anstice. 1836.

504

Was Gott thut, das ist wohlgethan.

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1 **W**HAT our Father does is well :
Blesséd truth His children tell !
Though He send, for plenty, want,
Though the harvest store be scant,
Yet we rest upon His Love,
Seeking better things above.

2 What our Father does is well :
Shall the wilful heart rebel
If a blessing He withhold
In the field, or in the fold ?
Is He not Himself to be
All our Store eternally ?

3 What our father does is well :
Though Headden hill and dell,
Upward yet our praises rise
For the strength His Word supplies.
He has called us sons of God ;
Can we murmur at His rod ?

4 What our Father does is well :
May the thought within us dwell
Though nor milk nor honey flow
In our barren Canaan now,
God can save us in our need,
God can bless us, God can feed.

5 Therefore unto Him we raise
 Hymns of glory, songs of praise
 To the Father and the Son
 And the Spirit, Three in One,
 Honor, might, and glory be,
 Now and through eternity.

Benjamin Schmolke, 1720.

Sir Henry William Baker, Tr. 1861. a.

THE FAMILY.

505

Marriage.

7, 6.

1 THE voice that breathed o'er Eden,
 That earliest wedding day,
 The primal marriage blessing,
 It hath not passed away.

2 Still in the pure espousal
 Of Christian man and maid,
 The Holy Three are with us,
 The threefold grace is said.

3 Be present, awful Father,
 To give away this bride,
 As Eve Thou gav'st to Adam
 Out of His own pierced side :

4 Be present, Son of Mary,
 To join their loving hands,
 As Thou didst bind two natures
 In Thine eternal bands :

5 Be present, Holiest Spirit,
 To bless them as they kneel,
 As Thou for Christ the Bridegroom
 The heavenly spouse dost seal.

6 O spread Thy pure wings o'er them,
 Let no ill power find place,
 When onward to Thine altar
 Their hallowed path they trace.

7 To cast their crowns before Thee
 In perfect sacrifice,
 Till to the home of gladness
 With Christ's own Bride they rise.

John Keble. 1857.

506

C. M.

1 **T**HRIICE happy souls, who, born of heaven,
 While yet they sojourn here,
 Humbly begin their days with God,
 And spend them in His fear.

2 Midst hourly cares may love present
 Its incense to Thy throne ;
 And while the world our hands employs
 Our hearts be Thine alone !

3 When to laborious duties called,
 Or by temptations tried,
 We'll seek the shelter of Thy wings,
 And in Thy strength confide.

4 As different scenes of life arise,
 Our grateful hearts would be
 With Thee amid the social band,
 In solitude with Thee.

5 At night we lean our weary heads
 On Thy paternal breast,
 And safely folded in Thine arms,
 Resign our powers to rest.

6 In solid pure delights, like these,
 Let all my days be passed ;
 Nor shall I then impatient wish,
 Nor shall I fear the last.

Doddridge. 1765. a.

MORNING OR EVENING.

507

L. M. 6l.

- 1 WHEN, streaming from the eastern skies,
The morning light salutes my eyes,
O Sun of Righteousness divine,
On me with beams of mercy shine ;
Chase the dark clouds of sin away,
And turn my darkness into day.
- 2 When to heaven's great and glorious King
My morning sacrifice I bring ;
And, grieving o'er my guilt and shame,
Ask mercy, Saviour, in Thy Name :
My conscience sprinkle with Thy Blood,
And be my Advocate with God.
- 3 When each day's scenes and labors close,
And wearied nature seeks repose,
With pardoning mercy richly blest,
Guard me, my Saviour, while I rest :
And as each morning's sun shall rise,
O lead me onward to the skies.
- 4 And at my life's last setting sun,
My conflict o'er, my labors done,
Jesus, Thy heavenly radiance shed,
To cheer and bless my dying bed ;
And from death's gloom my spirit raise,
To see Thy face and sing Thy praise.

William Shrubsole. 1813. a.

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- 1 LORD, to Thee I lift my eyes,
Hands and heart I lift to Thee ;
Let my prayer accepted rise,
Weak, imperfect, though it be.

2 Teach me, Lord, Thy Name to know ;
 Teach me, Lord, Thy Name to Love ;
 May I do Thy will below
 As Thy will is done above.

3 Saviour God, Thy grace impart,
 Give me strength to follow Thee
 Live Thyselv within my heart
 Set my ransomed spirit free.

4 When I go to rest at night,
 O'er me watch and near me stay ;
 And when morning brings the light,
 May I wake to praise and pray.

Edward Scobell's Col. 1836. a.

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1 GRACIOUS God ! to Thee we pray :
 Give us grace to pray aright ;
 Guide and bless us every day,
 And defend us every night.

2 Let Thy mercy, while we live,
 Every needful want supply ;
 And Thy blissful presence give,
 To support us when we die.

Sunday School Union H. B. 1845.

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MORNING.

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L. M.

1 AWAKE, my soul, and with the sun
 Thy daily stage of duty run ;
 Shake off dull sloth, and joyful rise
 To pay thy morning sacrifice.

2 Wake and lift up thyself, my heart,
 And with the angels bear thy part,
 Who all night long unwearied sing
 High praise to the eternal King.

3 All praise to Thee, who safe hast kept,
And hast refreshed me while I slept:
Grant, Lord, when I from death shall wake,
I may of endless life partake!

4 Lord, I my vows to Thee renew;
Disperse my sins as morning dew;
Guard my first springs of thought and will,
And with Thyself my spirit fill.

5 Direct, control, suggest, this day,
All I design, or do, or say;
That all my powers, with all their might,
In Thy sole glory may unite.

6 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him, above, ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Thomas Ken. 1697 a..

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Gott des Himmels und der Erden.

8, 7, 7.

1 GOD who madest earth and heaven,
G Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
Who the day and night hast given,
Sun and moon and starry host,
Thou whose mighty hand sustains
Earth and all that she contains:

2 Praise to Thee my soul shall render,
Who this night has guarded me;
My omnipotent Defender,
Who from ill dost set me free;
Free from danger, anguish, woe,
Free from the infernal foe.

3 Let the night of my transgression
With night's darkness pass away:
Jesus, into Thy possession
I resign myself to-day.

In Thy wounds I find relief
From my greatest sin and grief.

4 Grant that I may rise this morning,
From the lethargy of sin ;
So my soul, through Thy adorning,
Shall be glorious within ;
And I at the judgment day
Shall not be a cast-away.

5 Let my life and conversation
Be directed by Thy Word ;
Lord, Thy constant preservation
To Thy erring child afford.
No where but alone in Thee
From all harm can I be free.

6 Wholly to Thy blest protection
I commit my heart and mind.
Mighty God ! to Thy direction
Wholly may I be resigned.
Lord, my Shield, my Light divine,
O accept, and own me Thine !

7 Lord, to me Thine angel sending,
Keep me from the subtle foe ;
From his craft and might defending,
Never let Thy wanderer go,
Till my final rest be come,
And Thine angel bear me home.

*Henry Alberti. 1651.
John Christian Jacobi, Tr. 1722.
And Arthur Tozer Russell. 1848.*

512

*Jam Lucis orto Sidere.**C. M.*

1 **N**OW that the sun is beaming bright,
Once more to God we pray,
That He, the uncreated Light,
May guide our souls this day.

2 No sinful word, no deed of wrong,
Nor thoughts that idly rove ;
But simple truth be on our tongue,
And in our hearts be love.

3 And while the hours in order flow,
O Christ, securely fence
Our gates beleaguered by the foe,
The gate of every sense.

4 And grant that to Thine honor, Lord,
Our daily toil may tend :
That we begin it at Thy word,
And in Thy favor end.

Hymns for Public and Private Use, Tr. 1847. a.

513

S. M.

1 WE lift our hearts to Thee,
O Day-Star from on high !
The sun itself is but Thy shade,
Yet cheers both earth and sky.

2 O let Thy orient beams
The night of sin disperse ;
The mists of error and of vice
Which shade the universe.

3 How beauteous nature now !
How dark and sad before !
With joy we view the pleasing change,
And nature's God adore.

4 O may no gloomy crime
Pollute the rising day ;
May Jesus' Blood, like morning dew,
Wash all our stains away.

5 May we this life improve,
To mourn for errors past ;
And live this short revolving day
As if it were our last.

Wesley's Psalms and Hymns. 1741. a.

514

C. M.

1 **L**ORD, for the mercies of this night
L My humble thanks I pay,
 And unto Thee I dedicate
 The first fruits of the day.

2 Let this day praise Thee, O my God,
 And so let all my days :
 And O, let my eternal day
 Be Thy eternal praise !

John Mason. 1683.

EVENING.

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1 **S**OFTLY now the light of day
SFades upon my sight away ;
 Free from care, from labor free,
 Lord, I would commune with Thee !

2 Thou whose all-pervading eye
 Nought escapes, without, within,
 Pardon each infirmity,
 Open fault, and secret sin.

3 Soon for me the light of day
 Shall for ever pass away :
 Then, from sin and sorrow free,
 Take me, Lord, to dwell with Thee !

4 Thou who, sinless, yet hast known
 All of man's infirmity ;
 Then, from Thine eternal throne,
 Jesus, look with pitying eye.

George Washington Doane. 1826.

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S. M.

1 **T**HE day, O Lord, is spent ;
T Abide with us, and rest ;
 Our heart's desires are fully bent
 On making Thee our guest.

2 We have not reached that land,
 That happy land, as yet,
 Where holy angels round Thee stand,
 Whose sun can never set.

3 Our sun is sinking now ;
 Our day is almost o'er :
 O Sun of Righteousness, do Thou
 Shine on us evermore.

John Mason Neale. 1844.

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10s.

1 A BIDE with me ! fast falls the eventide ;
 The darkness deepens : Lord, with me abide !
 When other helpers fail, and comforts flee,
 Help of the helpless, O abide with me !

2 Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day ;
 Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away ;
 Change and decay in all around I see ;
 O Thou who changest not, abide with me !

3 Not a brief glance I beg, a passing word,
 But as Thou dwell'st with Thy disciples, Lord,
 Familiar, condescending, patient, free,
 Come, not to sojourn, but abide with me.

4 Come not in terrors as the King of kings,
 But kind and good, with healing on Thy wings ;
 Tears for all woes, a heart for every plea ;
 O Friend of sinners, thus abide with me !

5 Thou on my head in early youth didst smile,
 And, though rebellious and perverse meanwhile,
 Thou hast not left me, oft as I left Thee :
 On to the close, O Lord, abide with me !

6 I need Thy presence every passing hour :
 What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's power ?
 Who like Thyself my guide and stay can be ?
 Through cloud and sunshine, O abide with me !

7 I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless :
 Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness.
 Where is death's sting? where, grave, thy victory?
 I triumph still, if Thou abide with me!

8 Hold Thou Thy Cross before my closing eyes,
 Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies :
 Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows
 flee ;
 In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me !

Henry Francis Lyte. 1847.

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Lucis Creator optime.

7s.

1 **S**OURCE of light and life divine,
 Thou didst cause the light to shine ;
 Thou didst bring Thy sunbeams forth
 O'er Thy new-created earth.

2 Shade of night, and morning ray,
 Took from Thee the name of day ;
 Now again the shades are nigh,
 Listen to our mournful cry.

3 May we ne'er, by guilt deprest,
 Lose the way to endless rest ;
 May no thoughts impure and vain
 Draw our souls to earth again.

4 Rather lift them to the skies,
 Where our dear-bought treasure lies ;
 Help us in our daily strife,
 Make us struggle into life.

5 Holy Father, holy Son,
 Holy Spirit, Three in One,
 Praise and glory be to Thee
 Now and for eternity.

John Chandler, Tr. 1837. a.

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C. M.

- 1 NOW from the altar of our hearts
Let incense flames arise ;
Assist us, Lord, to offer up
Our evening sacrifice.
- 2 Awake, our love, awake, our joy,
Awake, our hearts and tongue :
Sleep not when mercies loudly call,
Break forth into a song.
- 3 Minutes and mercies multiplied
Have made up all this day ;
Minutes came quick, but mercies were
More fleet and free than they.
- 4 New time, new favors, and new joys,
Do a new song require ;
Till we shall praise Thee as we would,
Accept our heart's desire.
- 5 Lord of our time, whose hand hath set
New time upon our score ;
Thee may we praise for all our time,
When time shall be no more !

John Mason. 1683. a.

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7, 6, 8.

- 1 THE day is past and over :
All thanks, O Lord, to Thee !
I pray Thee now, that sinless
The hours of dark may be.
O Jesus, keep me in Thy sight,
And save me through the coming night !
- 2 The toils of day are over :
I lift my heart to Thee :
And ask that free from peril
The hours of dark may be.

O Jesus, make their darkness light,
And guard me through the coming night!

3 Be Thou my soul's Preserver,
O God! for Thou dost know
How many are the perils
Through which I have to go.

Lover of men, O hear my call,
And guard and save me from them all!

Anatolius. ab. 450.

John Mason Neale, Tr. 1862. a.

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Hinunter ist der Sonnenschein.

L. M.

1 SUNK is the sun's last beam of light,
And now the world is wrapt in night;
Christ! light us with Thy heavenly ray,
Nor let our feet in darkness stray.

2 Thanks, Lord, that Thou throughout the day
Hast kept all grief and harm away;
That angels tarried round about
Our coming in and going out.

3 Whate'er of wrong we've done or said,
Let not the charge on us be laid;
That through Thy free forgiveness blest,
In peaceful slumber we may rest.

4 Thy guardian angels round us place,
All evil from our couch to chase;
Our soul and body, while we sleep,
In safety, gracious Father, keep.

Nicholas Hermann. d. 1561.

Frances Elizabeth Cox. 1841. a.

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L. M.

1 ALL praise to Thee, my God, this night,
A For all the blessings of the light:
Keep me, O keep me, King of kings,
Beneath Thine own Almighty wings!

- 2 Forgive me, Lord, for Thy dear Son,
The ill that I this day have done :
That with the world, myself, and Thee,
I, ere I sleep, at peace may be.
- 3 Teach me to live, that I may dread
The grave as little as my bed ;
To die, that this vile body may
Rise glorious at the awful day.
- 4 O when shall I, in endless day,
For ever chase dark sleep away,
And hymns divine with angels sing
In endless praise to Thee, my King ?
- 5 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow ;
Praise Him, all creatures here below ;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host ;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Thomas Ken. 1697. a.

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L. M.

- 1 **S**UN of my soul, Thou Saviour dear,
It is not night if Thou be near ;
O may no earth-born cloud arise
To hide Thee from Thy servant's eyes.
- 2 When the soft dews of kindly sleep
My wearied eyelids gently steep,
Be my last thought, how sweet to rest
For ever on my Saviour's breast.
- 3 Abide with me from morn till eve,
For without Thee I cannot live,
Abide with me when night is nigh,
For without Thee I dare not die.
- 4 If some poor wandering child of Thine
Have spurned to-day the voice divine,
Now, Lord, the gracious work begin ;
Let him no more lie down in sin,

5 Watch by the sick ; enrich the poor
 With blessings from Thy boundless store ;
 Be every mourner's sleep to-night,
 Like infant's slumbers, pure and light.

6 Come near and bless us when we wake,
 Ere through the world our way we take ;
 Till in the ocean of Thy love
 We lose ourselves in Heaven above.

John Keble. 1827.

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8s.

1 INSPIRER and Hearer of prayer,
 Thou Shepherd and Guardian of Thine,
 My all to Thy covenant care
 I, sleeping or waking, resign.

2 If Thou art my Shield and my Sun,
 The night is no darkness to me ;
 And fast as my minutes roll on,
 They bring me but nearer to Thee

3 A sovereign Protector I have,
 Unseen, yet for ever at hand ;
 Unchangeably faithful to save,
 Almighty to rule and command.

4 His smiles and His comforts abound,
 His grace, as the dew, shall descend ;
 And walls of salvation surround
 The soul He delights to defend.

Augustus M. Toplady. 1776. a.

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8, 7, 7.

1 THROUGH the day Thy Love has spared us,
 Now we lay us down to rest ;
 Through the silent watches guard us,
 Let no foe our peace molest :
 Jesus, Thou our Guardian be ;
 Sweet it is to trust in Thee.

2 Pilgrims here on earth, and strangers
 Dwelling in the midst of foes,
 Us and ours preserve from dangers:
 In Thine arms may we repose;
 And when life's sad day is past,
 Rest with Thee in heaven at last.

Thomas Kelly. 1806.

CHILDREN.

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6, 4.

1 **S**HEPHERD of tender youth,
 Guiding in love and truth
 Through devious ways;
 Christ, our triumphant King,
 We come Thy Name to sing,
 And here our children bring,
 To join Thy praise.

2 Thou art our holy Lord,
 O all-subduing Word,
 Healer of strife:
 Thou didst Thyself abase,
 That from sin's deep disgrace
 Thou mightest save our race,
 And give us life.

3 O wisdom's great High Priest!
 Thou hast prepared the feast
 Of holy love;
 And in our mortal pain
 None calls on Thee in vain:
 Help Thou dost not disdain,
 Help from above.

4 Ever be near our side,
 Our Shepherd and our Guide,

Our staff and song :
 Jesus, Thou Christ of God,
 By Thine enduring Word,
 Lead us where Thou hast trod ;
 Make our faith strong.

5 So now, and till we die,
 Sound we Thy praises high,
 And joyful sing :
 Let all the holy throng
 Who to Thy Church belong,
 Unite and swell the song
 To Christ our King !

*From Clement of Alexandria. ab. 200.
 Hunter's Select Melodies. 1851. a.*

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Palm Sunday.

7, 6.

1 WHEN, His salvation bringing,
 To Zion Jesus came,
 The children all stood singing
 Hosanna to His Name.
 Nor did their zeal offend Him,
 But as He rode along,
 He let them still attend Him,
 And smiled to hear their song.

2 And since the Lord retaineth
 His love for children still,
 Though now as King He reigneth
 On Zion's heavenly hill :
 We'll flock around His banner,
 Who sits upon the throne,
 And cry aloud, "Hosanna
 To David's royal Son."

3 For should we fail proclaiming
 Our great Redeemer's praise,
 The stones, our silence shaming,
 Might well hosanna raise.

But shall we only render
 The tribute of our words ?
 No ; while our hearts are tender,
 They, too, shall be the Lord's.

Joshua King. 831.

528

7s.

- 1 JESUS, when a little Child,
 Taught us what we ought to be ;
 Holy, harmless, undefiled,
 Was the Saviour's infancy ;
 All the Father's glory shone
 In the person of His Son.
- 2 As in age and strength He grew,
 Heavenly wisdom filled His breast ;
 Crowds attentive round Him drew,
 Wondering at their infant Guest ;
 Gazed upon His lovely face,
 Saw Him full of truth and grace.
- 3 In His heavenly Father's house,
 Jesus spent His early days ;
 There He paid His solemn vows,
 There proclaimed His Father's praise ;
 Thus it was His lot to gain
 Favor both with God and man.
- 4 Father, guide our steps aright
 In the way that Jesus trod ;
 May it be our great delight
 To obey Thy will, O God !
 Then to us shall soon be given
 Endless bliss with Christ in heaven.

Sunday School Union H. B. 1845.

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C. M.

- 1 () THOU, whose infant feet were found
 Within Thy Father's shrine,
 Whose years, with changeless virtue crowned,
 Were all alike divine ;

2 Dependent on Thy bounteous breath,
 We seek Thy grace alone,
 In childhood, manhood, age, and death,
 To keep us still Thine own !

Reginald Heber. 1827.

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7s.

- 1 **L**AMB of God, I look to Thee ;
L Thou shalt my example be ;
 Thou art gentle, meek, and mild,
 Thou wast once a little child.
- 2 Fain I would be as Thou art ;
 Give me Thy obedient heart.
 Thou art pitiful and kind :
 Let me have Thy loving mind.
- 3 Loving Jesus, gentle Lamb,
 In Thy gracious hands I am.
 Make me, Saviour, what Thou art,
 Live Thyselv within my heart.
- 4 I shall then show forth Thy praise,
 Serve Thee all my happy days :
 Then the world shall always see
 Christ, the holy Child, in me.

C. Wesley. 1742.

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Weil ich Jesu Schäflein bin.

7s.

- 1 **S**EEING I am Jesus' lamb,
S Ever glad at heart I am
 O'er my Shepherd kind and good,
 Who provides me daily food,
 And His lamb by name doth call,
 For He knows and loves us all.
- 2 Guided by His gentle staff
 Where the sunny pastures laugh,
 I go in and out and feed,
 Lacking nothing that I need.
 When I thirst, my feet He brings
 To the fresh and living springs.

3 Shall I not rejoice for this?
 He is mine, and I am His :
 And when these bright days are past,
 Safely in His arms at last
 He will bear me home to heaven ;
 Ah, what joy hath Jesus given !

*Henrietta Louisa von Hayn. 1778.
 Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1858. a.*

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8, 7.

1 SAVIOUR, who Thy flock art feeding
 With the Shepherd's kindest care,
 All the feeble gently leading,
 While the lambs Thy bosom share ;

2 Now, these little ones receiving,
 Fold them in Thy gracious arm ;
 There, we know, Thy Word believing,
 Only there, secure from harm.

3 Never, from Thy pasture roving,
 Let them be the lion's prey ;
 Let Thy tenderness, so loving,
 Keep them through life's dangerous way.

4 Then within Thy fold eternal
 Let them find a resting-place :
 Feed in pastures ever vernal,
 Drink the rivers of Thy grace.

William Augustus Muhlenberg. 1826.

533

C. M.

1 FAR from the world, O Lord, I flee,
 From strife and tumult far ;
 From scenes where Satan wages still
 His most successful war.

- 2 The calm retreat, the silent shade,
With prayer and praise agree ;
And seem by Thy sweet bounty made
For those who follow Thee.
- 3 There, if Thy Spirit touch the soul.
And grace her mean abode,
O with what peace, and joy, and love,
She communes with her God !
- 4 There, like the nightingale, she pours
Her solitary lays ;
Nor asks a witness of her song,
Nor thirsts for human praise.
- 5 Author and Guardian of my life,
Sweet Source of light divine,
And, all harmonious names in one,
My Saviour,—Thou art mine !
- 6 What thanks I owe Thee, and what love,
A boundless, endless store,
Shall echo through the realms above
When time shall be no more !

William Cowper. 1765.

534

C. M

- 1 I LOVE to steal awhile away
From every cumbering care,
And spend the hours of setting day
In humble, grateful prayer.
- 2 I love in solitude to shed
The penitential tear,
And all His promises to plead
Where none but God can hear.
- 3 I love to think on mercies past,
And future good implore,
And all my cares and sorrows cast
On Him whom I adore.

4 I love by faith to take a view
 Of brighter scenes in heaven ;
 The prospect doth my strength renew,
 While here by tempests driven.

5 Thus when life's toilsome day is o'er,
 May its departing ray
 Be calm as this impressive hour,
 And lead to endless day.

Phoebe H. Brown. 1826.

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C. M.

1 D O not I love Thee, O my Lord ?
 Behold my heart, and see ;
 And cast each idol from its throne,
 That dares to rival Thee.

2 Is not Thy Name melodious still
 To mine attentive ear ?
 Doth not each pulse with pleasure bound,
 My Saviour's voice-to hear ?

3 Hast Thou a lamb in all Thy flock,
 I would disdain to feed ?
 Hast Thou a foe, before whose face
 I fear Thy cause to plead ?

4 Thou know'st I love Thee, dearest Lord ;
 But O, I long to soar
 Far from the sphere of mortal joys,
 That I may love Thee more.

Doddridge. 1755. t.

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6, 4.

1 N EARER, my God, to Thee,
 Nearer to Thee !
 E'en though it be a cross
 That raiseth me ;
 Still all my song shall be,
 Nearer, my God, to Thee,
 Nearer to Thee !

2 Though, like the wanderer,
 The sun gone down,
 Darkness be over me,
 My rest a stone,
 Yet in my dreams I'd be
 Nearer, my God, to Thee,
 Nearer to Thee !

3 There let my way appear
 Steps unto heaven ;
 All that Thou sendest me
 In mercy given ;
 Angels to beckon me
 Nearer, my God, to Thee,
 Nearer to Thee !

4 Then with my waking thoughts
 Bright with Thy praise,
 Out of my stony griefs
 Bethel I'll raise ;
 So by my woes to be
 Nearer, my God, to Thee,
 Nearer to Thee !

5 Or if on joyful wing
 Cleaving the sky,
 Sun, moon, and stars forgot,
 Upwards I fly ;
 Still all my song shall be,
 Nearer, my God, to Thee,
 Nearer to Thee !

Sarah Flower Adams. 1841.

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*For the Aged.**C. P. M.*

1 **W**ITH years opprest, with sorrow worn,
 Dejected, harassed, sick, forlorn,
 To Thee, O God, I pray :
 To Thee my withered hands arise,
 To Thee I lift these failing eyes ;
 O cast me not away !

2 Thy mercy heard my infant prayer :
 Thy Love, with all a mother's care,
 Sustained my childish days :
 Thy goodness watched my ripening youth,
 And formed my heart to love Thy truth,
 And filled my lips with praise.

3 O Saviour, has Thy grace declined ?
 Can years affect the eternal Mind,
 Or time its Love decay ?
 A thousand ages in Thy sight,
 And all their long and weary flight,
 Are gone like yesterday.

4 Then, even in age and grief, Thy Name
 Shall still my languid heart inflame,
 And bow my faltering knee :
 O yet this bosom feels the fire ;
 This trembling hand and drooping lyre
 Have yet a strain for Thee !

5 Yes, broken, tuneless, still, O Lord,
 This voice, transported, shall record
 Thy goodness, tried so long ;
 Till, sinking slow with calm decay,
 Its feeble murmurs melt away
 Into a seraph's song.

Sir Robert Grant. 1839.

DEATH.

1 O UR God, our Help in ages past,
 Our Hope for years to come ;
 Our Shelter from the stormy blast,
 And our eternal Home !

2 Under the shadow of Thy throne
 Thy saints have dwelt secure ;
 Sufficient is Thine arm alone,
 And our defence is sure.

3 Before the hills in order stood,
 Or earth received her frame,
 From everlasting Thou art God,
 To endless years the same.

4 Thy word commands our flesh to dust :
 “Return, ye sons of men ;”
 All nations rose from earth at first,
 And turn to earth again.

5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
 Bears all its sons away ;
 They fly forgotten, as a dream
 Dies at the opening day.

6 Like flowery fields the nations stand,
 Pleased with the morning light :
 The flowers beneath the mower’s hand
 Lie withering ere ’tis night.

7 Our God, our Help in ages past,
 Our Hope for years to come,
 Be Thou our Guard while troubles last,
 And our eternal Home !

Watts. 1719.

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C. M.

1 **T**HEE we adore, Eternal Name,
 And humbly own to Thee,
 How feeble is our mortal frame,
 What dying worms are we !

2 Our wasting lives grow shorter still,
 As days and months increase ;
 And every beating pulse we tell
 Leaves but the number less

3 The year rolls round, and steals away
 The breath that first it gave:
 Whate'er we do, where'er we be,
 We're travelling to the grave.

4 Dangers stand thick through all the ground,
 To push us to the tomb;
 And fierce diseases wait around,
 To hurry mortals home.

5 Waken, O Lord, our drowsy sense,
 To walk this dangerous road;
 And if our souls are hurried hence,
 May they be found with God.

Watts. 1709.

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C. M.

1 **L**ET others boast how strong they be,
 Nor death nor danger fear;
 But we'll confess, O Lord, to Thee,
 What feeble things we are.

2 Fresh as the grass our bodies stand,
 And flourish bright and gay:
 A blasting wind sweeps o'er the land,
 And fades the grass away.

3 Our life contains a thousand springs,
 And dies if one be wrong;
 Strange, that a harp of thousand strings
 Should keep in tune so long.

4 But 'tis our God supports our frame,
 The God that formed us first,
 Salvation to the almighty Name
 That reared us from the dust!

5 While we have breath, or life, or tongues,
 Our Maker we'll adore.
 His Spirit moves our heaving lungs,
 Or they would breathe no more.

Watts. 1709. a.

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S. M.

1 A FEW more years shall roll,
 A few more seasons come,
 And we shall be with those that rest,
 Asleep within the tomb:
 Then, O my Lord, prepare
 My soul for that great day ;
 O wash me in Thy precious Blood,
 And take my sins away !

2 A few more storms shall beat
 On this wild, rocky shore,
 And we shall be where tempests cease,
 And surges swell no more.
 A few more struggles here,
 A few more partings o'er,
 A few more toils, a few more tears,
 And we shall weep no more.

3 'Tis but a little while
 And He shall come again,
 Who died that we might live, who lives
 That we with Him may reign :
 Then, O my Lord, prepare
 My soul for that glad day ;
 O wash me in Thy precious Blood,

 And take my sins away !

Horatius Bonar. 1856.

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1 I WOULD not live alway ; I ask not to stay
 Where storm after storm rises dark o'er the way :
 The few lurid mornings that dawn on us here
 Are enough for life's woes, full enough for its cheer.
 2 I would not live alway, thus fettered by sin,
 Temptation without, and corruption within :
 E'en the rapture of pardon is mingled with fears,
 And the cup of thanksgiving with penitent tears.

3 I would not live alway ; no, welcome the tomb ;
 Since Jesus hath lain there, I dread not its gloom :
 There sweet be my rest, till He bid me arise
 To hail Him in triumph descending the skies.

4 Who, who would live alway, away from his God ?
 Away from yon heaven, that blissful abode,
 Where the rivers of pleasure flow o'er the bright
 plains,
 And the noontide of glory eternally reigns :

5 Where the saints of all ages in harmony meet,
 Their Saviour and brethren transported to greet ;
 While the songs of salvation unceasingly roll,
 And the smile of the Lord is the feast of the soul !

William Augustus Muhlenberg. 1824.

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Gravi me terrore pulsas.

8, 7.

1 O WHAT terror in thy forethought,
 Ending scene of mortal life !
 Heart is sickened, reins are loosened,
 Thrills each nerve, with terror rife,
 When the anxious heart depicteth
 All the anguish of the strife !

2 Christ, unconquered King of glory !
 Thou my wretched soul relieve
 In that last extremest terror
 When the body she must leave :
 Let the Accuser of the brethren
 O'er me then no power receive !

3 Let the Prince of darkness vanish,
 And Gehenna's legions fly !
 Shepherd, Thou Thy sheep, thus ransomed,
 To Thy country lead on high,
 Where for ever in fruition
 I may see Thee eye to eye !

*Peter Damian. d. 1072.
 John Mason Neale, Tr. 1851.*

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Mein Gott, ich weisz wohl das ich sterbe. L. M. 61.

1 MY God, I know that I must die :
 My mortal life is passing hence ;
 On earth I neither hope nor try
 To find a lasting residence.
 Then teach me by Thy heavenly grace
 With joy and peace my death to face

2 My God, I know not *when* I die ;
 What is the moment or the hour ;
 How soon the clay may broken lie,
 How quickly pass away the flower :
 Then may Thy child preparéd be
 Through time to meet eternity.

3 My God, I know not *how* I die ;
 For death has many ways to come,
 In dark mysterious agony,
 Or gently as a sleep to some.
 Just as Thou wilt, if but it be
 To bring me, blessed Lord, to Thee !

4 My God, I know not *where* I die,
 Where is my grave, beneath what strand ;
 Yet from its gloom I do rely
 To be delivered by Thy hand.
 Content, I take what spot is mine,
 Since all the earth, my Lord, is Thine.

5 My gracious God, when I must die,
 O bear my happy soul above,
 With Christ, my Lord, eternally
 To share Thy glory and Thy Love :
 Then comes it right and well to me,
 When, where, and how my death shall be.

*Benjamin Schmolck. d. 1737.
 Jane Borthwick, Tr. 1853. a.*

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*Ich weisz es wird mein Ende kommen.***L. M. 61.**

1 I KNOW my end must surely come,
 But know not when, or where, or how ;
 It may be I shall hear my doom
 To-night, to-morrow, nay, or now ;
 Ere yet this present hour is fled,
 This living body may be dead.

2 Lord Jesus, let me daily die,
 And at the last Thy presence give ;
 Then Death his utmost power may try,
 He can but make me truly live.
 Then welcome my last hour shall be,
 When, where, and how it pleases Thee.

Solomon Frank. 1711.
Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1858.

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*Wer weisz, wie nahe mir mein Ende.***L. M. 61.**

1 WHO knows how near my end may be ?
 Time speeds away, and death comes on.
 How swiftly, ah, how suddenly,
 May death be here, and life be gone !
 My God, for Jesus' sake I pray
 Thy peace may bless my dying day.

2 O Father, cover all my sins
 With Jesus' merits, who alone
 The pardon that I covet wins,
 And makes His long-sought Rest my own.
 My God, for Jesus' sake I pray
 Thy peace may bless my dying day.

3 Then death may come or tarry yet ;
 I know in Christ I perish not.
 He never will His own forget ;
 He gives me robes without a spot.
 My God, for Jesus' sake I pray
 Thy peace may bless my dying day.

4 And thus I live in God at peace,
 And die without a thought of fear,
 Content to take what God decrees,
 For through His Son my faith is clear;
 His grace shall be in death my stay,
 And peace shall bless my dying day.

*Emilia Juliana, Countess of Schwarzburg-Rudolstadt. 1686.
 Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1858.*

547 *Wenn mein Stündlein vorhanden ist.* Iambic. 8, 7.

1 WHEN my last hour is close at hand,
 My last sad journey taken,
 Do Thou, Lord Jesus! by me stand,
 Let me not be forsaken.
 O Lord, my spirit I resign
 Into Thy loving hands divine;
 'Tis safe within Thy keeping.

2 Countless as sands upon the shore,
 My sins may then appall me;
 Yet, though my conscience vex me sore,
 Despair shall not enthrall me:
 For as I draw my latest breath,
 I'll think, Lord Christ! upon Thy Death,
 And there find consolation.

3 I shall not in the grave remain,
 Since Thou death's bonds hast severed;
 But hope with Thee to rise again,
 From fear of death delivered,
 For where Thou art, there I shall be.
 That I may ever live with Thee:
 This is my joy in dying.

4 And so to Jesus Christ I'll go,
 My longing arms extending;
 So fall asleep in slumber deep,
 Slumber that knows no ending,

Till Jesus Christ, God's only Son,
Opens the gates of bliss, leads on
To heaven, to life eternal.

*Nicholas Hermann. 1560.
Edgar Alfred Bowring, Tr. 1855. a.*

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Kommt an der Tod.

L. M. 61.

1 **W**HEN the last agony draws nigh,
My spirit sinks in bitter fear:
Courage! I conquer though I die,
For Christ with death once wrestled here.
Thy strife, O Christ, with death's dark power
Upholds me in this fearful hour.

2 In faith I hide myself in Thee ;
I shall not perish in the strife ;
I share Thy war, Thy victory,
And death is swallowed up of Life.
Thy strife, O Christ, with death of yore
Hath conquered, and I fear no more.

*John Andrew Gramlich. 1727.
Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1855.*

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Herr Jesu Christ, wahr Mensch und Gott. L. M. 61.

1 **L**ORD Jesus Christ, true Man and God,
Who borest anguish, scorn, the rod,
And diedst at last upon the Tree,
To bring Thy Father's grace to me :
I pray Thee, through that bitter woe,
Let me, a sinner, mercy know.

2 When comes the hour of failing breath,
And I must wrestle, Lord, with death,
When from my sight all fades away,
And when my tongue no more can say,
And when mine ears no more can hear,
And when my heart is racked with fear ,

3 When all my mind is darkened o'er,
And human help can do no more ;

Then come, Lord Jesus ! come with speed,
 And help me in my hour of need ;
 Lead me from this dark vale beneath,
 And shorten then the pangs of death.

4 Joyful my Resurrection be,
 Thou in the Judgment plead for me,
 And hide my sins, Lord, from Thy face,
 And give me Life, of Thy dear grace !
 I trust Thee utterly, my Lord,
 For Thou hast promised in Thy Word !

5 Dear Lord, forgive us all our guilt ;
 Help us to wait until Thou wilt
 That we depart ; and let our faith
 Be brave, and conquer e'en in death :
 Firm resting on Thy sacred Word,
 Until we sleep in Thee, our Lord.

Paul Eber. 1550.

Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1855.

In near prospect of Death.

550

Mein Gott, in Deine Hände.

C. M.

1 **M**Y God, to Thee I now commend
 My soul ; for Thou, O Lord,
 Dost live and love me without end,
 And wilt perform Thy word.

2 To whom else should I make my plea,
 That heavenly life be mine ?
 All souls, my God, belong to Thee ;
 My soul is also Thine.

3 Thou gavest my spirit at my birth ;
 Take back what Thou hast given ;
 And with the Lord I served on earth
 Grant me to live in heaven.

4 My soul is sprinkled with the Blood
 Thy Son hath shed for us,
 And in Thy sight is pure and good,
 Adorned and radiant thus.

5 Thou my Deliverer wast of yore ;
 From sin Thou mad'st me free :
 Now, faithful God, do Thou, once more
 In death deliver me.

6 Thou livest and lovest without end,
 And dost perform Thy word :
 My parting soul I now commend
 To Thee, my God and Lord !

*Philip Frederic Hiller. 1765.
 Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1855.*

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O Herre Gott, ich ruf zu Dir.

L. M. 6l.

1 O LORD my God, I cry to Thee !
 In my distress Thou helpest me.
 To Thee myself I all commend :
 O swiftly now Thine angel send
 To guide me home, and cheer my heart,
 Since Thou dost call me to depart !

2 O Jesus Christ, Thou Lamb of God,
 Once slain to take away our load !
 Now let Thy Cross, Thine agony,
 Avail to save and solace me ;
 Thy Death to open heaven, and there
 Bid me the joy of angels share.

3 O Holy Spirit, at the end,
 Sweet Comforter, be Thou my Friend !
 When death and hell assail me sore,
 Leave me, O leave me nevermore,
 But bear me safely through the strife,
 As Thou hast promised, into Life !

*Nicholas Selnecker. 1587.
 Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1858.*

BURIAL.

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11s.

1 THE things of the earth in the earth let us lay,
 The ashes with ashes, the dust with the clay :
 But lift up the heart, and the eye, and the love,
 O lift up the soul to the regions above !

2 Since He, the Immortal, hath entered the gate,
 So too shall we mortals, or sooner or late :
 Then stand we on Christ ; let us mark Him ascend,
 For His is the glory and life without end.

3 On earth with His own ones, the Giver of good,
 Bestowing His blessing, a little while stood :
 Now nothing can part us, nor distance, nor foes,
 For lo ! He is with us, and who can oppose ?

4 So, Lord, we commit this our brother to Thee,
 Whose body is dead, but whose spirit is free :
 We know that thro' grace, when our life here is done,
 We live still in Thee, and for ever in one.

5 All glory to Thee, Father, Spirit, and Son,
 Who Three art in person, in substance but One,
 In Whom we have victory over the grave,
 Who lovest Thy people to pardon and save.

*From the Greek.**John Mason Neale, Tr. 1864. a.*

553

Ach, wie so sanft entschläfest du.

C. M.

1 A T length released from many woes,
 How sweetly dost thou sleep !
 How calm and peaceful thy repose,
 While Christ thy soul doth keep !

2 In earth's wide field thy body now
 We sow, which lifeless lies,
 In sure and certain hope that thou
 More glorious shalt arise.

3 Then rest thee in thy lowly bed,
Nor shall our hearts repine.
Thy toils and woes are finishéd :
A happy lot is thine.

4 The Bridegroom will not long delay ;
The Shepherd soon will come,
And take His cherished lamb away
To His eternal home.

5 Blest, who have Jesus' love esteemed
O'er every earthly thing ;
For none of all His flock redeemed
Will Jesus fail to bring.

Gottfried Neumann. 1736.

Frances Elizabeth Cox, Tr. 1841. a.

554

Am Grabe steh'n wir stille.

7, 6.

1 THE precious seed of weeping
To-day we sow once more,
The form of one now sleeping,
Whose pilgrimage is o'er.
Ah, death but safely lands him
Where we too would attain ;
Our Father's voice demands him,
And death to him is gain.

2 He has what we are wanting,
He sees what we believe ;
The sins on earth so haunting
Have there no power to grieve ;
Safe in his Saviour's keeping,
Who sent him calm release ;
'Tis only we are weeping,
He dwells in perfect peace.

3 The crown of life he weareth,
He bears the shining palm,
The "Holy, holy," shareth,
And joins the angels' psalm ;

But we poor pilgrims wander
 Still through this land of woe,
 Till we shall meet him yonder,
 And all his joy shall know.

*Charles John Spitta. 1833.
 Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1862.*

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L. M.

- 1 **A** SLEEP in Jesus! blessed sleep,
 From which none ever wakes to weep :
 A calm and undisturbed repose,
 Unbroken by the last of foes.
- 2 Asleep in Jesus! O how sweet
 To be for such a slumber meet ;
 With holy confidence to sing
 That Death has lost his venom'd sting !
- 3 Asleep in Jesus! peaceful rest,
 Whose waking is supremely blest :
 No fear, no woe, shall dim that hour
 That manifests the Saviour's power.
- 4 Asleep in Jesus! O, for me
 May such a blissful refuge be :
 Securely shall my ashes lie,
 And wait the summons from on high.

Margaret Mackay. 1835.

556

C. M.

- 1 **W**HY do we mourn departing friends,
 Or shake at death's alarms ?
 'Tis but the voice that Jesus sends
 To call them to His arms.
- 2 Are we not tending upward too
 As fast as time can move ?
 Nor should we wish the hours more slow,
 To keep us from our love.

3 Why should we tremble to convey
Their bodies to the tomb?
There the dear flesh of Jesus lay,
There hopes unfading bloom.

4 The graves of all His saints He blessed,
And softened every bed:
Where should the dying members rest,
But with their dying Head?

5 Thence He arose, ascending high,
And showed our feet the way;
Up to the Lord our flesh shall fly
At the great rising-day.

6 Then let the last loud trumpet sound,
And bid our kindred rise;
Awake, ye nations under ground;
Ye saints, ascend the skies.

Watts. 1709. a.

557

REVELATION xiv. 13.

7s.

1 **H**ARK! a voice divides the sky;
Happy are the faithful dead,
In the Lord who sweetly die;
They from all their toils are freed.

2 Them the Spirit hath declared
Blest, unutterably blest;
Jesus is their great Reward,
Jesus is their endless Rest.

3 Followed by their works, they go
Where their Head had gone before;
Reconciled by grace below,
Grace hath opened mercy's door.

4 Justified through faith alone,
Here they knew their sins forgiven;
Here they laid their burden down,
Hallowed and made meet for heaven.

5 When from flesh the spirit freed
 Hastens homeward to return,
 Mortals cry, "A man is dead!"
 Angels sing, "A child is born!"

C. Wesley. 1742.

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7s.

1 BLESSING, honor, thanks, and praise,
 Pay we, gracious God, to Thee ;
 Thou, in Thine abundant grace,
 Givest us the victory !

2 True and faithful to Thy word,
 Thou hast glorified Thy Son ;
 Jesus Christ, our dying Lord,
 He for us the fight hath won.

3 Lo, the prisoner is released,
 Lightened of his fleshly load :
 Where the weary are at rest,
 He is gathered into God !

4 Lo, the pain of life is past,
 All his warfare now is o'er ;
 Death and hell behind are cast,
 Grief and suffering are no more.

5 Yes, the Christian's course is run,
 Ended is the glorious strife ;
 Fought the fight, the work is done,
 Death is swallowed up of Life !

C. Wesley. 1742.

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Death of a Child.

7s.

1 WHEREFORE should I make my moan,
 Now the darling child is dead ?
 He to early rest is gone,
 He to paradise is fled :
 I shall go to him, but he
 Never shall return to me.

2 God forbids his longer stay ;
 God recalls the precious loan ;
 God hath taken him away
 From my bosom to His own :
 Surely what He wills is best :
 Happy in His will I rest.

3 Faith cries out, It is the Lord,
 Let Him do as seems Him good !
 Be Thy holy Name adored ;
 Take the gift awhile bestowed ;
 Take the child no longer mine ;
 Thine he is, for ever Thine.

C. Wesley. 1749.

560

Guter Hirt, Du hast gestillt.

7, 8, 7.

1 GENTLE Shepherd, Thou hast stilled
 Now Thy little lamb's long weeping :
 Ah how peaceful, pale, and mild,
 In its narrow bed 'tis sleeping !
 And no sigh of anguish sore
 Heaves that little bosom more.

2 In this world of care and pain,
 Lord, Thou wouldst no longer leave it :
 To the sunny heavenly plain
 Dost Thou now in joy receive it.
 Clothed in robes of spotless white,
 Now it dwells with Thee in light.

3 Ah, Lord Jesus, grant that we
 Where it lives may soon be living,
 And the lovely pastures see
 That its heavenly food are giving,
 Then the gain of death we'll prove,
 Though Thou take what most we love.

William Meinhold. d. 1851.
 Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1858.

RESURRECTION.

561

S. M.

1 **A**ND must this body die,
This mortal frame decay?
And must these active limbs of mine
Lie mouldering in the clay?

2 God my Redeemer lives,
And often from the skies
Looks down and watches all my dust,
Till He shall bid it rise.

3 Arrayed in glorious grace
Shall these vile bodies shine,
And every shape, and every face,
Look heavenly and divine.

4 These lively hopes we owe
To Jesus' dying Love:
We would adore His grace below,
And sing His power above.

5 Dear Lord, accept the praise
Of these our humble songs,
Till tunes of nobler sound we raise
With our immortal tongues.

Watts. 1709.

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H. M.

1 **M**Y life's a shade, my days
Apae to death decline:
My Lord is Life; He'll raise
My dust again, even mine.
Sweet truth to me! | And with these eyes
I shall arise, | My Saviour see.

2 My peaceful grave shall keep
 My form till that sweet day ;
 I shall awake from sleep
 And leave my bed of clay.

Sweet truth to me ! | And with these eyes
 I shall arise, | My Saviour see.

3 Then welcome, harmless grave !
 By thee to heaven I'll go :
 My Saviour's Death shall save
 Me from the flames below.

Sweet truth to me ! | And with these eyes
 I shall arise, | My Saviour see.

Samuel Crossman. 1664. a.

563

PSALM 17.

L. M.

1 **W**HAT sinners value I resign :
 Lord, 'tis enough that Thou art mine !
 I shall behold Thy blissful face,
 And stand complete in righteousness.

2 This life's a dream, an empty show ;
 But the bright world to which I go
 Hath joys substantial and sincere :
 When shall I wake and find me there ?

3 O glorious hour ! O blest abode !
 I shall be near and like my God ;
 And flesh and sin no more control
 The sacred pleasures of the soul.

4 My flesh shall slumber in the ground,
 Till the last trumpet's joyful sound ;
 Then burst the chains with sweet surprise,
 And in my Saviour's image rise.

Watts. 1719.

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C. M.

- 1 'TIS sweet to rest in lively hope,
That when my change shall come,
Angels will hover round my bed,
And waft my spirit home.
- 2 There shall my disimprisoned soul
Behold Him and adore ;
Be with His likeness satisfied,
And grieve and sin no more.
- 3 Shall see Him wear that very flesh
On which my guilt was lain ;
His Love intense ; His merit fresh,
As though but newly slain.
- 4 Soon too my slumbering dust shall hear
The trumpet's quickening sound ;
And, by my Saviour's power rebuilt,
At His right hand be found.
- 5 These eyes shall see Him in that day,
The Lord that died for me :
And all my rising bones shall say,
Lord, who is like to Thee !
- 6 If such the views which grace unfolds,
Weak as it is below,
What raptures must the Church above
In Jesus' presence know !

Augustus M. Toplady. 1777. a.—
JUDGMENT.

565

Iambic. 8, 7.

- 1 GREAT God, what do I see and hear !
G The end of things created !
The Judge of man I see appear,
On clouds of glory seated.

The trumpet sounds : the graves restore
 The dead which they contained before ;
 Prepare, my soul, to meet Him.

- 2 The dead in Christ shall first arise,
 At the last trumpet's sounding,
 Caught up to meet Him in the skies,
 With joy their Lord surrounding ;
 No gloomy fears their souls dismay ;
 His presence sheds eternal day
 On those prepared to meet Him.
- 3 But sinners, filled with guilty fears,
 Behold His wrath prevailing,
 For they shall rise, and find their tears
 And sighs are unavailing ;
 The day of grace is past and gone ;
 Trembling they stand before the throne,
 All unprepared to meet Him.
- 4 O Christ, who diedst and yet dost live,
 To me impart Thy merit ;
 My pardon seal, my sins forgive,
 And cleanse me by Thy Spirit.
 Beneath Thy Cross I view the day
 When heaven and earth shall pass away,
 And thus prepare to meet Thee.

Purly William Bengo Collyer. 1812.

566

L. M.

- 1 **T**HAT Day of wrath, that dreadful Day,
 When heaven and earth shall pass away,
 What power shall be the sinner's stay ?
 How shall he meet that dreadful Day ?
- 2 When, shrivelling like a parched scroll,
 The flaming heavens together roll ;
 When louder yet, and yet more dread,
 Swells the high trump that wakes the dead :

3 Lord ! on that Day, that wrathful Day,
 When man to judgment wakes from clay,
 Be Thou the trembling sinner's stay,
 Though heaven and earth shall pass away.

Sir Walter Scott. 1805. a.

567

C. M.

1 **T**HE angel comes, he comes to reap
 The harvest of the Lord !
 O'er all the earth, with fatal sweep,
 Wide waves his flaming sword.

2 And who are they, in sheaves to bide
 The fire of vengeance bound ?
 The tares, whose rank luxuriant pride
 Choked the fair crop around.

3 And who are they, reserved in store
 God's treasure-house to fill ?
 The wheat, a hundred fold that bore
 Amid surrounding ill.

4 O King of mercy ! grant us power
 Thy fiery wrath to flee !
 In Thy destroying angel's hour,
 O gather us to Thee !

Henry Hart Milman. 1827.

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L. M.

1 **T**HAT fearful Day, that Day of dread,
 When Thou shalt judge the quick and dead ;
 O God ! I shudder to foresee
 The awful things which then shall be !

2 When Thou shalt come, Thy angels round,
 With legions, and with trumpet sound ;
 O Saviour, grant me in the air
 With all Thy saints to meet 'Thee there !

- 3 Weep, O my soul, ere that great Day,
When God shall shine in plain array ;
O weep thy sin, that thou mayst be
In that severest judgment free !
- 4 O Christ, forgive, remit, protect,
And set Thy servant with the elect ;
That I may hear the voice that calls
The righteous to Thy heavenly halls !
- 5 Sit not in judgment on each deed,
Nor each intent in strictness read ;
Forgive, accept, and save me then,
O Thou who lovest the souls of men !

Theodore of the Studium. ab. 820
From John Mason Neale, Tr. 1862.

569

Dies Iræ, Dies illa.

Trochaic. 8s.

- 1 **D**AY of wrath, that Day of mourning !
See fulfilled the prophet's warning,
Heaven and earth in ashes burning !
- 2 O what fear man's bosom rendeth,
When from heaven the Judge descendeth,
On whose sentence all dependeth !
- 3 Wondrous sound the trumpet flingeth,
Through earth's sepulchres it ringeth,
All before the throne it bringeth.
- 4 Death is struck, and nature quaking ;
All creation is awaking,
To its Judge an answer making.
- 5 Lo, the Book, exactly worded,
Wherein all hath been recorded ;
Thence shall judgment be awarded.
- 6 When the Judge His seat attaineth,
And each hidden deed arraigneth,
Nothing unavenged remaineth.

7 What shall I, frail man, be pleading ?
 Who for me be interceding,
 When the just are mercy needing ?

8 King of Majesty tremendous,
 Who dost free salvation send us,
 Fount of pity, then befriend us !

9 Think, kind Jesus ! my salvation
 Caused Thy wondrous Incarnation ;
 Leave me not to reprobation !

10 Faint and weary Thou hast sought me,
 On the Cross of suffering bought me ;
 Shall such grace in vain be brought me ?

11 Righteous Judge of retribution,
 Grant Thy gift of absolution,
 Ere that day's dread execution.

12 Guilty, now I pour my moaning,
 All my shame with anguish owning !
 Spare, O God, Thy suppliant, groaning !

13 Thou the woman gavest remission,
 Heard'st the dying thief's petition :
 Hopeless else were my condition.

14 Worthless are my prayers and sighing
 Yet, good Lord, in grace complying,
 Rescue me from fires undying !

15 With Thy favored sheep, O place me !
 Nor amid the goats abase me :
 But to Thy right hand upraise me.

16 While the wicked are confounded,
 Doomed to flames of woe unbounded,
 Call me, with Thy saints surrounded.

17 Bows my heart in meek submission,
 Strewn with ashes of contrition ;
 Succor Thou my lost condition !

18 Day of sorrows, Day of weeping,
When, in dust no longer sleeping,
Man awakes in Thy dread keeping !

19 To the Rest Thou didst prepare me,
On Thy Cross, O Christ, upbear me !
Spare, O God, in mercy spare me !

*Thomas de Celano. ab. 1250.
William Joseph Irons, Tr. 1848 1.*

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C. P. M.

1 WHEN Thou, my righteous Judge, shalt come
To call Thy ransomed people home,
Shall I among them stand ?
Shall such a worthless worm as I,
So sinful and unfit to die,
Be found at Thy right hand ?

2 Blest Saviour, grant it by Thy grace ;
Be Thou my soul's sure Hiding-place,
In this my gracious day :
Thy pardoning voice O let me hear,
To still my unbelieving fear,
Nor let me fall away !

3 Among Thy saints let me be found,
Whene'er the archangel's trump shall sound,
To see Thy smiling face ;
Then loudest of the crowd I'll sing,
While heaven's resounding mansions ring
The riches of Thy grace.

Selina, Countess of Huntingdon. 1765. a.

571

C. M.

1 WHEN rising from the bed of death,
O'erwhelmed with guilt and fear,
I see my Maker face to face,
O how shall I appear ?

2 If yet, while pardon may be found,
 And mercy may be sought,
 My heart with inward horror shrinks,
 And trembles at the thought :

3 When Thou, O Lord, shalt stand disclosed
 In majesty severe,
 And sit in judgment on my soul,
 O how shall I appear ?

4 But Thou hast told the troubled mind,
 Who does her sins lament,
 Of Him who suffered unto death,
 Her sufferings to prevent.

5 Then never shall my soul despair
 Her pardon to procure,
 Who knows Thine only Son has died
 To make her pardon sure.

Joseph Addison. 1712. a.

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S. M.

1 **T**HOU Judge of quick and dead,
 Before whose bar severe,
 With holy joy or guilty dread
 We all shall soon appear ;
 Our cautioned souls prepare
 For that tremendous day,
 And fill us now with watchful care,
 And stir us up to pray :

2 To pray, and wait the hour,
 That awful hour unknown,
 When, robed in majesty and power,
 Thou shalt from heaven come down,
 The immortal Son of Man,
 To judge the human race,
 With all Thy Father's dazzling train,
 With all Thy glorious grace.

3 O may we all be found
 Obedient to Thy word,
 Attentive to the trumpet's sound,
 And looking for our Lord !
 O may we thus insure
 A lot among the blest ;
 And watch a moment to secure
 An everlasting rest.

C. Wesley 1749.

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Es ist gewislich an der Zeit. Iambic. 8, 7.

1 WHEN all with awe shall stand around
 To hear their doom allotted,
 O may my worthless name be found
 In the Lamb's book unblotted !
 Grant me a firm, unshaken faith ;
 For Thou, my Saviour, by Thy Death,
 Hast purchased my salvation.

2 Before Thou shalt as Judge appear,
 Plead as my Intercessor ;
 And on that awful day declare
 That I am Thy Confessor.
 Then bring me to that blessed place
 Where I may see, with open face,
 The glory of Thy kingdom.

3 O Jesus ! shorten the delay,
 And hasten Thy salvation,
 That we may see that glorious Day
 Produce a new creation ;
 Lord Jesus, come, our Judge and King !
 Come, change our mournful notes, to sing
 Thy praise for ever. Amen.

Bartholomew Ringwaldt. 1581.
John Christian Jacobi, Tr. 1722. a

HEAVEN.

574

C. M.

1 THERE is a land of pure delight,
 T Where saints immortal reign ;
 Infinite day excludes the night,
 And pleasures banish pain.

2 There everlasting spring abides,
 And never-withering flowers :
 Death, like a narrow sea, divides
 This heavenly land from ours.

3 Sweet fields, beyond the swelling flood,
 Stand drest in living green :
 So to the Jews old Canaan stood,
 While Jordan rolled between.

4 But timorous mortals start and shrink
 To cross this narrow sea,
 And linger, shivering, on the brink,
 And fear to launch away.

5 O could we make our doubts remove,
 Those gloomy doubts that rise,
 And view the Canaan that we love,
 With unclouded eyes !

6 Could we but climb where Moses stood,
 And view the landscape o'er,
 Not Jordan's stream, nor death's cold flood,
 Should fright us from the shore.

Watts. 1709.

575

L. M.

1 THINE earthly sabbaths, Lord, we love ;
 T But there's a nobler rest above :
 To that our laboring souls aspire,
 With ardent hope and strong desire.

2 No more fatigue, no more distress,
Nor sin nor death shall reach the place ;
No groans to mingle with the songs
Which warble from immortal tongues.

3 No rude alarms of raging foes ;
No cares to break the long repose ;
No midnight shade, no clouded sun,
But sacred, high, eternal noon !

4 O long-expected day, begin !
Dawn on these realms of woe and sin !
Fain would we leave this weary road,
And sleep in death, to rest with God.

Doddrige. 1755. a.

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8, 7, 7.

I WHEN we pass through yonder river,
When we reach the farther shore,
There's an end of war for ever ;
We shall see our foes no more :
All our conflicts then shall cease,
Followed by eternal peace.

2 O that hope, how bright, how glorious !
'Tis His people's blest reward ;
In the Saviour's strength victorious,
They at length behold their Lord :
In His kingdom they shall rest,
In His love be fully blest.

Thomas Kelly. 1809.

577

S. M.

1 WE know, by faith we know,
If this vile house of clay
This tabernacle, sink below
In ruinous decay ;
We have a House above,
Not made with mortal hands ;
And firm as our Redeemer's Love
That heavenly fabric stands.

2 It stands securely high,
Indissolubly sure;
Our glorious mansion in the sky
Shall evermore endure.
O may we enter there,
To perfect heaven restored!
O may we be caught up to share
The triumph of our Lord!

3 O let us put on Thee
In perfect holiness,
And rise prepared Thy face to see,
Thy bright, unclouded face!
Thy grace with glory crown,
Who hast the earnest given;
And then triumphantly come down,
And take us up to heaven!

C. Wesley. 1744. a.

578

Jerusalem, du hochgebaute Stadt.

1 JERUSALEM, thou city fair and high,
Would God I were in thee!
My longing heart fain, fain to thee would fly!
It will not stay with me;
Far over vale and mountain,
Far over field and plain,
It hastes to seek its Fountain
And quit this world of pain.

2 O happy day, and yet far happier hour,
When wilt thou come at last?
When fearless to my Father's love and power,
Whose promise standeth fast,
My soul I gladly render,
For surely will His hand
Lead her with guidance tender
To heaven her fatherland.

3 O Zion, hail ! Bright city, now unfold
 The gates of grace to me !
 How many a time I longed for thee of old,
 Ere yet I was set free
 From yon dark life of sadness,
 Yon world of shadowy nought
 And God had given the gladness,
 The heritage I sought.

4 O what the tribe, or what the glorious host,
 Comes sweeping swiftly down ?
 The chosen ones on earth who wrought the
 most,
 The Church's brightest crown,
 Our Lord hath sent to meet me,
 As in the far off years,
 Their words oft came to greet me
 In yonder land of tears.

5 Innumerable choirs before the shining throne
 Their joyful anthems raise,
 Till heaven's glad halls are echoing with the
 tone
 Of that great hymn of praise,
 And all its host rejoices,
 And all its blessed throng
 Unite their myriad voices
 In one eternal song.

*John Matthew Meyfarth. 1630.
 Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1858.*

1 JERUSALEM, my happy home,
 J Name ever dear to me !
 When shall my labors have an end
 In joy, and peace, and thee ?

2 When shall these eyes thy heaven-built walls
 And pearly gates behold ?
 Thy bulwarks with salvation strong,
 And streets of shining gold ?

3 O when, thou city of my God,
 Shall I thy courts ascend,
 Where evermore the angels sing,
 Where sabbaths have no end ?

4 There happier bowers than Eden's bloom,
 Nor sin nor sorrow know :
 Blest seats ! through rude and stormy scenes
 I onward press to you.

5 Why should I shrink from pain and woe,
 Or feel at death dismay ?
 I've Canaan's goodly land in view,
 And realms of endless day.

6 Apostles, martyrs, prophets there
 Around my Saviour stand ;
 And soon my friends in Christ below
 Will join the glorious band.

7 Jerusalem, my happy home !
 My soul still pants for thee ;
 Then shall my labors have an end,
 When I thy joys shall see.

*Composite. 1801. a.
 From Francis Baker. 1628.*

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Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme.

1 WAKE, awake, for night is flying,
 The watchmen on the heights are crying ;
 Awake, Jerusalem, at last !
 Midnight hears the welcome voices,
 And at the thrilling cry rejoices :
 Come forth, ye virgins, night is past !
 The Bridegroom comes, awake,
 Your lamps with gladness take ;
 Hallelujah !
 And for His marriage feast prepare,
 For ye must go to meet Him there.

2 Zion hears the watchmen singing,
 And all her heart with joy is springing,
 She wakes, she rises from her gloom ;
 For her Lord comes down all glorious,
 The strong in grace, in truth victorious,
 Her Star is risen, her Light is come !
 Ah come, Thou blessed Lord,
 O Jesus, Son of God,
 Hallelujah !

We follow till the halls we see
 Where Thou hast bid us sup with Thee.

3 Now let all the heavens adore Thee,
 And men and angels sing before Thee,
 With harp and cymbal's clearest tone ;
 Of one pearl each shining portal,
 Where we are with the choir immortal,
 Of angels round Thy dazzling throne ;
 Nor eye hath seen, nor ear
 Hath yet attained to hear
 What there is ours,
 But we rejoice, and sing to Thee
 Our hymns of joy eternally.

*Dr. Philip Nicolai. 1598.
 Miss Winkworth, Tr. 1858.*

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8, 7.

1 HEAR what God the Lord hath spoken :
 H O my people, faint and few,
 Comfortless, afflicted, broken,
 Fair abodes I build for you.
 Thorns of heartfelt tribulation
 Shall no more perplex your ways :
 You shall name your walls salvation,
 And your gates shall all be praise.

2 There, like streams that feed the garden,
 Pleasures without end shall flow ;
 For the Lord, your faith rewarding,
 All His bounty shall bestow.

Still in undisturbed possession,
 Peace and righteousness shall reign :
 Never shall you feel oppression,
 Hear the voice of war again.

3 Ye no more your suns descending,
 Waning moons no more shall see ;
 But, your griefs for ever ending,
 Find eternal noon in Me.
 God shall rise, and shining o'er you,
 Change to day the gloom of night :
 He, the Lord, shall be your Glory,
 God your everlasting Light.

William Cowper. 1779.

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7s.

1 **W**HAT are these in bright array,
 This innumerable throng,
 Round the altar night and day
 Hymning one triumphant song ?
 “Worthy is the Lamb, once slain,
 Blessing, honor, glory, power,
 Wisdom, riches to obtain,
 New dominion every hour.”

2 These through fiery trials trod ;
 These from great affliction came ;
 Now, before the throne of God,
 Sealed with His Almighty Name,
 Clad in raiment pure and white,
 Victor-palms in every hand,
 Through their great Redeemer’s might,
 More than conquerors they stand.

3 Hunger, thirst, disease unknown,
 On immortal fruits they feed ;
 Them the Lamb amidst the throne
 Shall to living fountains lead :

Joy and gladness banish sighs ;
 Perfect love dispels all fears ;
 And for ever from their eyes
 God shall wipe away the tears.

James Montgomery. 1819.

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6, 8, 4.

1 THE goodly land I see,
 With peace and plenty blest :
 A land of sacred liberty,
 And endless rest.
 There milk and honey flow,
 And oil and wine abound,
 And trees of life for ever grow,
 With mercy crowned.

2 There dwells the Lord our King,
 The Lord our Righteousness,
 Triumphant o'er the world and sin,
 The Prince of Peace ;
 On Zion's sacred height,
 His kingdom still maintains ;
 And glorious, with His saints in light,
 For ever reigns.

3 He keeps His own secure ;
 He guards them by His side ;
 Arrays in garments white and pure
 His spotless Bride ;
 With streams of sacred bliss,
 With groves of living joys,
 With all the fruits of paradise,
 He still supplies.

4 Before the great Three-One
 They all exulting stand,
 And tell the wonders He hath done
 Through all their land :

The listening spheres attend,
And swell the growing fame;
And sing, in songs which never end,
The wondrous Name.

Thomas Olivers. 1772.

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Continued.

6, 8, 4.

1 THE God who reigns on high,
The great archangels sing,
And "Holy, holy, holy," cry,
"Almighty King!
Who was and is the same,
And evermore shall be;
Jehovah, Father, great I AM,
We worship Thee."

2 Before the Saviour's face
The ransomed nations bow,
O'erwhelmed at His almighty grace,
For ever new:
He shows His prints of love;
They kindle to a flame,
And sound, through all the worlds above,
The slaughtered Lamb.

3 The whole triumphant host
Give thanks to God on high;
"Hail, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!"
They ever cry:
Hail, Abraham's God, and mine!
I join the heavenly lays;
All might and majesty are Thine,
And endless praise.

Thomas Olivers. 1772.

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S. M.

1 FOR EVER with the Lord!
Amen! so let it be;
Life from the dead is in that word,
'Tis immortality.

2 Here in the body pent,
Absent from Him I roam,
Yet nightly pitch my moving tent
A day's march nearerer Home.

3 My Father's House on high,
Home of my soul! how near
At times to faith's far-seeing eye
The golden gates appear!

4 Ah, then my spirit faints,
To reach the land I love,
The bright inheritance of saints,
Jerusalem above!

5 For ever with the Lord!
Father, if 'tis Thy will,
The promise of that faithful word
E'en here to me fulfil.

6 Be Thou at my right hand,
Then can I never fail;
Uphold Thou me, and I shall stand,
Fight, and I must prevail.

7 So when my latest breath
Shall rend the veil in twain,
By death I shall escape from death,
And Life eternal gain.

8 Knowing as I am known,
How shall I love that word,
And oft repeat before the throne,
"For ever with the Lord!"

James Montgomery. 1853.

1 BRIEF life is here our portion;
Brief sorrow, short-lived care;
The Life that knows no ending,
The tearless Life. is *there.*

O happy retribution !
 Short toil, eternal rest ;
 For mortals and for sinners
 A mansion with the blest !

2 That we should look, poor wanderers,
 To have our Home on high !
 That worms should seek for dwellings
 Beyond the starry sky !
 And now we fight the battle,
 But then shall wear the crown
 Of full and everlasting
 And passionless renown.

3 For thee, O dear, dear Country !
 Mine eyes their vigils keep ;
 For very love, beholding
 Thy happy name, they weep :
 The mention of thy glory
 Is unction to the breast,
 And medicine in sickness,
 And love, and life, and rest.

4 Thou hast no shore, fair ocean !
 Thou hast no time, bright day !
 Dear fountain of refreshment
 To pilgrims far away !
 Upon the Rock of Ages
 They raise thy holy tower :
 Thine is the victor's laurel,
 And thine the golden dower.

5 There glory yet unheard of
 Shall shed abroad its ray,
 Resolving all enigmas,
 An endless Sabbath day.

There God, our King and Portion,
 In fulness of His grace,
 Shall we behold for ever,
 And worship face to face !

*Bernard de Morlaix. ab. 1150.
 John Mason Neale, Tr. 1851.*

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Continued.

7, 6.

1 JERUSALEM the golden,
 With milk and honey blest,
 Beneath thy contemplation
 Sink heart and voice opprest :
 I know not, O I know not,
 What social joys are there !
 What radiancy of glory,
 What light beyond compare !

2 And when I fain would sing them
 My spirit fails and faints,
 And vainly would it image
 The assembly of the saints.
 They stand, those halls of Zion,
 Conjubilant with song,
 And bright with many an angel,
 And all the martyr throng :

3 There is the Throne of David ;
 And there, from care released,
 The song of them that triumph,
 The shout of them that feast ;
 And they who, with their Leader,
 Have conquered in the fight,
 For ever and for ever
 Are clad in robes of white !

*Bernard de Morlaix. ab. 1150.
 John Mason Neale, Tr. 1851.*

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Continued.

7, 6.

1 JERUSALEM the glorious !
 The glory of the elect !
 O dear and future vision
 That eager hearts expect :
 Even now by faith I see thee :
 Even here thy walls discern :
 To thee my thoughts are kindled,
 And strive, and pant, and yearn.

2 Jerusalem the only,
 That look'st from heaven below,
 In thee is all my glory ;
 In me is all my woe !
 And though my body may not,
 My spirit seeks thee fain,
 Till flesh and earth return me
 To earth and flesh again.

3 O land that seest no sorrow !
 O state that fear'st no strife !
 O princely land of glory !
 O realm and home of life !
 Exult, O dust and ashes,
 The Lord shall be thy part :
 His only, His for ever,
 Thou shalt be, and thou art !

*Bernard de Morlaix. ab. 1150
 John Mason Neale, Tr. 1851. a.*

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C. M.

TO Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
 The God whom we adore,
 Be glory, as it was, is now,
 And shall be evermore.

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S. M.

TO God the Father, Son,
 And Spirit, One in Three,
 Be glory, as it was, is now,
 And shall for ever be.

3

L. M.

TO Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
 The God whom earth and heaven adore,
 Be glory, as it was of old,
 Is now, and shall be evermore.

4

L. M.

RAISE God, from whom all blessings flow ;
 Praise Him, all creatures here below ;
 Praise Him above, ye heavenly host ;
 Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

5

L. M. 6t.

TO God the Father, God the Son,
 And God the Spirit, Three in One,
 Be glory in the highest given,
 By all on earth, and all in heaven ;
 As was through ages heretofore,
 Is now, and shall be evermore.

6

C. P. M.

TO Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
 The God whom heaven's triumphant host
 And saints on earth adore ;
 Be glory, as in ages past,
 And now it is, and so shall last,
 When time shall be no more.

7

H. M.

TO God the Father, Son,
And Spirit, ever blest,
Eternal Three in One,
All worship be addrest ;
As heretofore | And shall be so
It was, is now, | For evermore.

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7, 6.

TO Father, Son, and Spirit,
Eternal One and Three,
As was, and is for ever,
All praise and glory be.

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6, 4.

TO God the Father, Son,
And Spirit, Three in One,
All praise be given :
Crown Him in every song ;
To Him our hearts belong :
Let all His praise prolong
On earth, in heaven.

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HOLY Father, holy Son,
Holy Spirit, Three in One !
Glory, as of old, to Thee
Now and evermore shall be.

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PRAISE the Name of God most high ;
Praise Him, all below the sky ;
Praise Him, all ye heavenly host,
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost :

As through countless ages past,
Evermore His praise shall last.

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8, 7.

PRAISE the Father, earth and heaven,
Praise the Son, the Spirit praise ;
As it was, and is, be given
Glory through eternal days.

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8, 7.

PRAISE the God of all creation ;
Praise the Father's boundless Love ;
Praise the Lamb, our Expiation,
Priest and King, enthroned above ;
Praise the Fountain of salvation,
Him by whom our spirits live ;
Undivided adoration
To the one Jehovah give.

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8, 7.

CREAT Jehovah, we adore Thee,
God the Father, God the Son,
God the Spirit, joined in glory
On the same eternal throne :
Endless praises
To Jehovah, Three in One.

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8, 7, 7.

GLORY be to God the Father,
Glory be to God the Son,
Glory be to God the Spirit,
Everlasting Three in One :
Thee let heaven and earth adore,
Now, henceforth, and evermore.

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7, 6.

GLORY be to God most high,
 Glory to the Saviour,
 Glory to the Holy Ghost,
 Now, henceforth, for ever.

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6, 5.

FATHER, Son, and Spirit,
 Endless One in Three,
 Now, henceforth, for ever,
 Glory be to Thee.

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O FATHER Almighty, to Thee be addrest,
 With Christ and the Spirit, one God ever blest,
 All glory and worship from earth and from heaven ;
 As was, and is now, and shall ever be given

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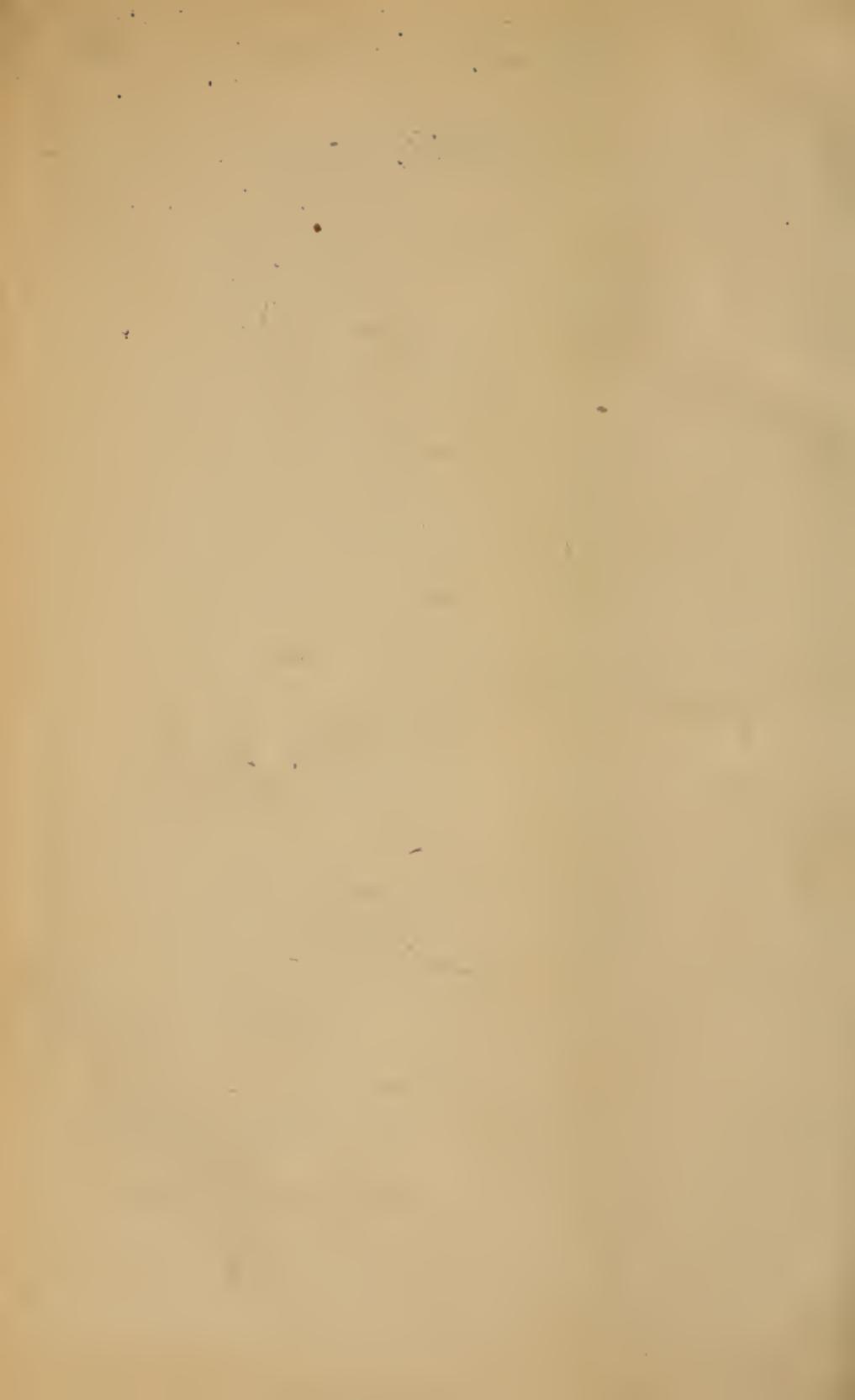
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